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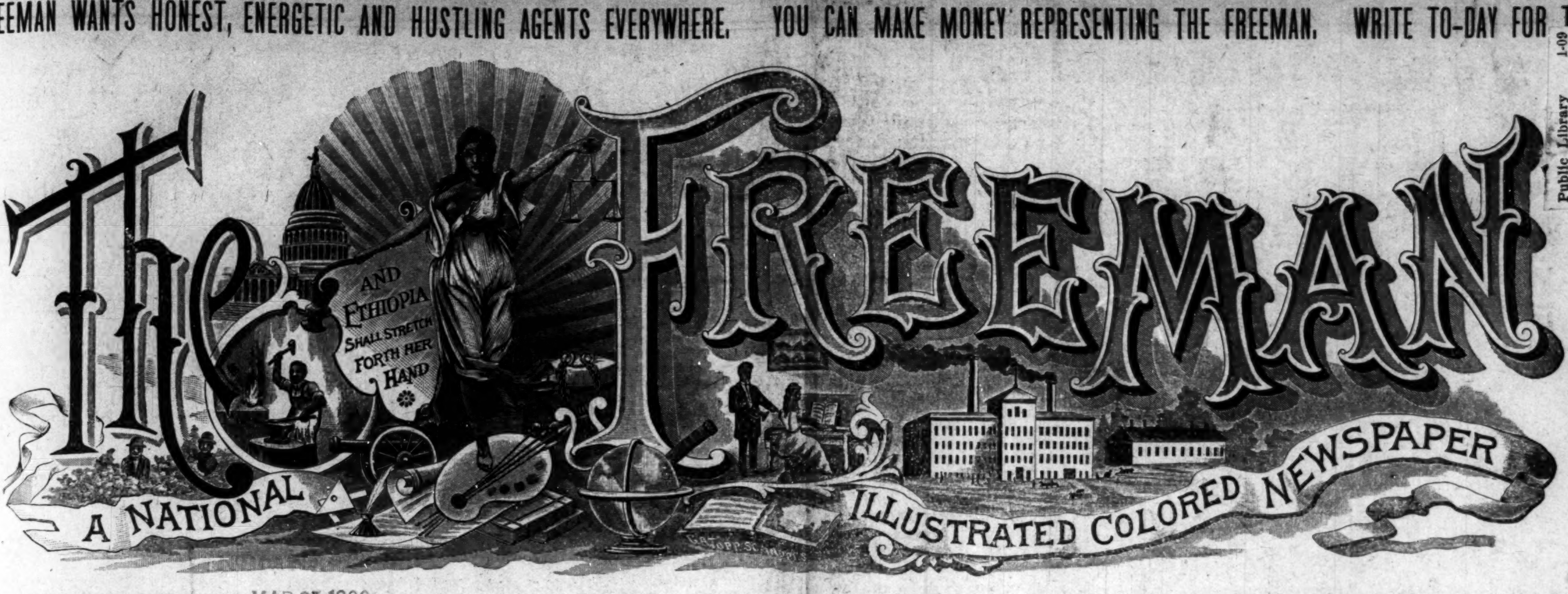
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DR. BOOKER WASHINGTON EN ROUTE SOUTH

TO DELIVER ADDRESS AT UVIVERSITY

Dr. James E. Shepard in the City on Business—Date of the Dedication of the Carnegie Library Changed.

(THOMPSON'S NATIONAL NEWS BUREAU.)

Washington, D. C., March 23.—Dr. Booker T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Institute, passed through the city Sunday night en route from New York to the South. He had just finished a series of engagements in the State of New York, concluding that day at Bethel A. M. E. Church in New York City, speaking in the interest of the Young Women's Christian Association. Principal Washington is to deliver the annual address before the Dunbar Literary Club, of Fisk University, March 30, and is also to speak on March 31 in connection with the inauguration of the new president of the university, Dr. George A. Gates.

It was learned from another source that Principal Washington has received from President Taft a letter in which he states that he intends to make a contribution toward the endowment fund of Tuskegee Institute within a short while. The fact that a strenuous effort is to be made to increase the endowment fund of the school to $3,000,000 is arousing widespread interest among the influential friends of the race, and it is felt that the amount now needed can be raised by the end of the present school year. It goes without saying that Dr. Washington cannot go on forever at the high-tension pace that has characterized his work during the past ten years, and it has occurred to those who believe the best interests of the institution would be conserved by allowing him to give more of his time and energies to the actual development of the school and the propagation of the principles for which it stands, without the strain of money-getting. To this end the following letter, which is self-explanatory, has been placed before the public, with endorsements which give it a weight that is bound to bring immediate results:

"$3,000,000 ENDOWMENT FOR TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE.

"We, the undersigned, are glad to permit the use of our names in aiding the trustees and officers of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, of Tuskegee, Ala., to secure a larger and more adequate endowment. We feel that the results accomplished by the Tuskegee school, not only in making the Negro more useful, but in the interest of the whole country, justify an appeal to the public that shall increase the endowment to a figure where the principal, Booker T. Washington, will not be compelled to spend so much of his time in the getting of money to meet the current expenses.

"Without going into details at present, we wish to state that it is the aim and wish of the trustees at present to increase the endowment fund to $3,000,000 in the near future, and to secure $300,000 of this amount during the present school year. We are glad to add that a portion of the $300,000 has already been secured, and we earnestly hope that the remainder may be provided before June 1.

"William H. Taft, President of the United States; Theodore Roosevelt, ex-President of the United States; B. B. Comer, Governor of Alabama; Seth Low, president Tuskegee Institute Board of Trustees, New York; Charles E. Hughes, Governor of New York; W. W. Campbell, vice-president Tuskegee Institute Board of Trustees, president Macon County Bank, Tuskegee, Ala.; Robert C. Ogden, trustee Hampton Institute and Tuskegee Institute, New York; Clark Howell, editor *Atlanta Constitution*, Atlanta; Ga.; Geo. W. Clinton, bishop A. M. E. Zion Church, Charlotte, N. C.; Abraham Grant, bishop A. M. E. Church, Kansas City, Kan.; Henry Watterson, editor Louisville *Courier Journal*, Louisville, Ky.; Franklin MacVeagh, Secretary of the United States Treasury; Hollis B. Frissell, principal Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.; Jacob H. Schiff, of firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., New York; Charles W. Chesnutt, author, Cleveland, O.; Henry L. Higginson, of firm of Lee, Higginson & Co., Boston; E. C. Morris, president National Baptist Convention, Helena, Ark."

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Dr. James E. Shepard, the brilliant young educator, who was in the city last week, announces that the plans for the main auditorium of the National Religious Training School and Chautauqua, to be located at Durham, N. C., have been drawn and accepted. These plans are the work of Mr. Clarence W. Wiginton, of Omaha, Neb. Mr. Wiginton is a rising young architect of the West, who has received his training in some of the best white offices in that section, and the building is to be one of the finest and most complete structures of the kind owned by any school in the Southland. Plans for the President's house have been drawn by Mr. W. Sidney Pittman, of Washington, D. C., and the board has accepted them. Mr. Pittman has also been awarded the contract for remodeling the White Rock Baptist Church, of Durham, N. C., the improvements to cost $15,000. Mr. Pittman is a Tuskegee graduate and will be remembered as the architect of the famous Negro Building at the Jamestown Exposition.

Dr. Shepard has accepted an invitation to deliver the commencement address at the graduation exercises of the training department of the Adeline Smith Home, May 17, and will also speak at the First Baptist Church, Manchester, N. H., on April 10, while on his New England circuit. The summer school and chautauqua, for which an immense array of talent has been engaged, is to open July 5.

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Word comes from Mr. James A. Ross, editor and manager of the *Gazetteer and Guide*, Buffalo, New York, that a stock company has been formed by Buffalo and Detroit citizens and that the corporation has purchased the Beaver House at Sandwich, Ontario, on the St. Clair river, thirty minutes' ride from Detroit. It will be operated as a summer hotel for colored tourists. The hotel, which is now to be known as "The Country Inn Hotel," is modern and up-to-date in every particular. It covers six acres, and on the grounds will be provision for all kinds of outdoor sports, such as lawn tennis, golf, croquet, etc., and there will be excellent fishing close by at Sulphur Springs. The season opens June 1, and the proprietors give notice that they would like to have the rates of advertisements from colored papers. Information can be secured by addressing the Country Inn Hotel Company, 302 Antoine Street, Detroit, Mich.

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Rev. L. G. Jordan's call for a "Week of Prayer" has met with a gratifying response from thousands of churches throughout the country, and it is expected that from them will come handsome donations for the redemption of the Dark Continent, a cause to which this energetic and God-fearing man is devoting his life. The week closes Easter Sunday, with prayer ordained for all mankind. Dr. Jordan's headquarters are at 726 West Walnut street, Louisville, Ky., and he will be glad to hear from everybody who wishes to do something for Africa, in the name of the Lord.

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In response to the request of the Liberian government, made through the American Legation at Monrovia, the United States cruiser, Birmingham, Capt. Fletcher, has been ordered to proceed forthwith to the Liberian capital. President Barclay represented to the State Department that his government is powerless to hold in check the tribes of Greboes, a powerful people inhabiting the region of the Cabally River, adjoining French territory to the southeast of Liberia. They are besieging the town of Harper, Cape Palmas, where there are considerable American missionary interests. The object of the insurrection seems to be to force the Liberian government to purchase peace. The Liberians requested the United States to send a gunboat to their coast, so as to add prestige to their efforts to regain and assert their authority over the disaffected natives. Under the treaty of 1862 Liberia confers upon the government of the United States the right to intervene on their request in such affairs. The report of conditions in Liberia and recommendations for their improvement, which has been prepared by the United States commission sent to Liberia about a year ago, will probably be sent to Congress within the next few days. This commission was made up of Roland P. Faulkner, Emmett J. Scott and Dr. George Sale, and its investigations were very thorough and informing. The result will doubtless be of great benefit to the Liberian people.

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The date of the dedication of the Carnegie Library of Howard University has been necessarily changed to April 25, in order to accommodate Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who will certainly be present at that time. President Taft has kindly consented to change the date, and will deliver the principal address. Mr. Herbert Putnam, Librarian of Congress, will also speak, and it is expected that Ambassador James Bryce will be able to be present. On the evening of the dedication, Dr. Frank Wakeley Gunsaulus, a lecturer of national reputation, and pastor of the Central Church in the Auditorium, Chicago, will give his lecture on "The Lyrical Interpretation of Life," under the auspices of the university. Dr. Gunsaulus will bring with him his famous quartet, who will interpret and enforce the lecture by the rendition of ten selections illustrative of the relation between music and life. Dr. Gunsaulus is an old college friend of President Thirkield, and generously makes this contribution in the interest of Howard University, the work and ideals of which he ardently admires.

The library is already open to the students and is a model of beauty and utility. Those who have inspected it testify that in no library building in the country have there been secured better results for the amount of money expended than are found here.

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"No man ever felt the halter draw
With good opinion of the law."

The second annual banquet of the class of 1911, Howard University Law Department, was held Wednesday night at Ellis' Cafe, 729 Fourth street, N. W. Toastmaster C. R. Richardson put everybody in a good humor with his jolly address, and the succeeding speakers were in their happiest vein.

As each speak rose to respond to his toast, he was greeted with a class yell or a verse from some of the university's songs. Among those who spoke were: D. W. Bowles, "Our Alma Mater"; B. G. Clanton, "Law, 1911"; Wade H. Carter, "Reminiscences"; A. W. McEwen, "Our Motto: 'Esse Quam Videri'"; A. B. Thompson, "Our Duty as Lawyers"; Jas. C. Waters, Jr., "Standards and Ideals"; Benjamin C. Jackson, "Our Wives and Sweethearts"; Willis W. Washington, "Class Spirit"; William H. Whiting, "Our Colors," and Charles Sumner Williams, "Our Future." The "Lawyer's Prayer" was given by William H. Robinson, and Daniel R. Tomlinson contributed two well-rendered solos—West Indian folk songs. The menu was rich, rare and toothsome.

The officers and members of the class of 1911 are: C. Roscoe Richardson, president; Wade H. Carter, vice-president; Van G. De Suze, secretary; Miss Jeannette Carter, treasurer; Samuel D. McCrea, historian; Thomas B. Cobb, poet; Ulysses J. Banks, prophet; Charles S. Williams, orator; D. W. Bowles, Benjamin G. Clanton, Clarence M. DeVeille, Artee Fleming, D. L. Garrett, B. C. Jackson, Davis Jenkins, Afue McDowell, Pedro Santana y Navedo, W. S. Poeter, A. W. McEwen, Bryant Simpson, Aaron Smith, D. R. Tomlinson, A. B. Thompson, J. C. Waters, Jr., W. W. Washington, E. L. Winters, W. J. Green, E L. Pinn, W. H. Robinson and W. H. Whiting.

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The banquet marking the opening of the season of the debating club of the National Colored Personal Liberty League at Masonic Hall was a glittering success. The function was designed by Mr. Charles C. Curtis, and executed under the painstaking direction of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the league, of which body Mrs. L. C. Moore is president. By request, Mr. R. W. Thompson presided at the platform session of the evening, and the program included, besides the address of the presiding officer, speeches by Architect J. A. Lankford, president of the Washington Commercial Council; Hon. L. C. Moore, formerly a member of the Mississippi Legislature; S. E. Lacy and Miss Mary Curtis. Messrs. Kanawha Smith and W. A. Jones furnished attractive music and rendered several vocal and instrumental selections. Mrs. Smith read a poem prepared for the occasion by L. C. Moore. Mrs. M. C. Curtis, chairman of the committee on arrangements, and Organizer Curtis being introduced, made appropriate remarks.

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Dr. E. E. Underwood, of Frankfort, Ky., who paid Washington a visit recently, is at home now, very busy with his professional work and also putting in some hard blows for legislation looking to the betterment of the Kentucky State Normal School for Colored Students and other measures of racial import. Dr. Underwood's friends are still aggressively pushing his claims for adequate Federal recognition.

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Your correspondent gratefully acknowledges the receipt of an invitation from the trustees of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., to attend the exercises in connection with the inauguration of the new president of the institution, Dr. George Augustus Gates. The date of the exercises is March 31. Fisk University is one of the oldest and best-loved seats of learning in the country, and on this occasion there will be a large turnout of the representative people of the country, of both races.

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The Howard Park Citizens' Association, which is struggling for civic improvements—better pavements, cleaner streets, improved sanitary conditions, additional cross streets, a public park, etc.—held an important meeting Monday evening. The principal address was delivered by Hon. Samuel W. Smith, of Michigan, chairman of the House Committee on the District of Columbia, who is described as "a busy legislator." The association meets monthly at the Church of the Redeemer, and Mr. Robert A. Pelham, chairman of the legislation and mail facilities committee, is largely responsible for the big crowds that have been coming out to assist in this highly essential work.

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Dr. M. C. B. Mason, secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the M. E. Church, delivered a magnificent address last Tuesday evening at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, under the auspices of the Bethel Literary and Historical Association. An audience rivaling those on Howard and Wilberforce nights greeted him. Dr. Mason's theme was "The Second Emancipation"—an emancipation that will free the Negro race from false social standards, false moral standards, from political slavery, from the tyranny of creeds, from internal distrust and captious criticism, and from the cowardice that is sapping the vitals of our manhood and womanhood. He stood up for the single standard of morality for man and woman, and insisted that our women be accorded the same profound respect that the men of other races accord to theirs. He claimed the inherent right of the race to the ballot, to untrammelled citizenship, and held that we should be chosen to high office if we possess the necessary qualifications for good service. He believed that the best interests of a country are most securely guarded when all the citizens participate in the affairs of government. Attorney L. G. Gregory presided and Mrs. Carrie W. Clifford acted as secretary.

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The March meeting of the Mu-So-Lit Club was one of the best of the series. It was "Dunbar night," and the analyses of the life, character and work of the race's greatest poet and lyrist were marked by careful preparation, accuracy of statement and a fine conception of the relative strength and beauty of his various productions in poetry and prose. Prof. Kelly Miller presented a number of "Reminiscences" of Paul Laurence Dunbar, gleaned from an association for a long period under the same roof, and Prof. E. C. Williams, in a scholarly paper, estimated "Dunbar's Place in Literature." Dr. C. Sumner Wormley, with Prof. Walter R. Jeter as accompanist, rendered "Songs from Dunbar," delineating in dramatic style Dunbar's "Li'l Gal" and "An African Love Song." Brief speeches were made by the guests of the club, Messrs. W. C. McCard, of Baltimore, J. A. Lankford, Governor P. B. S. Pinchback and Prof. John Wesley Cromwell. Dr. A. M. Curtis made his first appearance as president and handled the gavel with the skill of a veteran. Mr. A. S. Gray, from the executive committee, presented some recommendations looking to the revision of the constitution. Dr. Curtis' announcement that in future the club would meet "on time" is the subject of much favorable comment.

A glee club has been organized in connection with the Mu-So-Lit Club, under the direction of Prof. Charles G. Harris. It will make its initial bow to the public at the next meeting of the club, Friday evening, April 8.

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Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson, nominee for Recorder of Deeds, has gone to Georgia.

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Grand Master W. L. Huston, of the G. U. O. of O. F., has returned to Chicago, having completed his work with the S. C. of M. at Philadelphia. Some startling developments in Odd Fellow circles may be expected soon. The election for delegates to the B. M. C. will be held in the lodges of the District in May, and there will be a spirited contest all along the line. Former Grand Master E. H. Morris, of Chicago, will be again presented by his admirers; Dr. E. P. Jones, of Mississippi, will put forth his best licks to win this time, and "a new Richmond in the field" will be Mr. J. C. Asbury, the present editor of the *Odd Fellows' Journal*. Your correspondent will keep his eye on the situation and report the progress the booms are making from time to time.

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The talk down the street is that the historic "Black Cabinet," the colored supplement of the White House advisers—and so designated by your correspondent three years ago—has been "dissolved" by general consent of the "Cabinet" and its constituents. Cause, not officially stated. For the present, the entire political horizon is an impenetrable haze.

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There is much speculation in political circles as to the identity of "O. E. D.," the putative author of the Washington letters in the *New York Age*. The feeling is that if he believes he is right in what he is saying, he should have no hesitancy in letting the public know who he is. Persons now under suspicion would thus be vindicated. Some say the writer of the recent school articles in the *Age* and "O. E. D." are one and the same individual.

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The capital is enjoying some fine music just now. Last Sunday at vesper service at Howard University the choir rendered DuBois' "The Seven Last Words of Christ"; in the evening the choir of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church rendered it and on Good Friday night the choir of St. Luke's P. E. Church will give the third presentation of the same classic cantata. On Wednesday night H. H. Freeman, organist at St. John's P. E. Church, will direct the production of the religious allegory, "The Little Pilgrims and the Book Beloved," with Miss Mary Powell Burrill in the leading role, supported by a number of children of the representative families of the city. It will be given at St. Mary's P. E. Chapel. On next Monday evening comes Raymond Augustus Lawson, the renowned piano virtuoso, of Hartford, Conn., supported by Miss Daisy O. Westbrooke, of St. Louis, Mo., and the L'Allegor Club, of this city. The entertainment will be under the direction of the Fisk University Club and will be held at Lincoln Temple. It will be one of the really "swell" events of the season.

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A disastrous fire occurred last Tuesday at the apartment house, corner Third and T streets, N. W. Two families, those of Mr. Smith Wormley and Mr. Frank A. Bryon, lost all of their belongings, and the life of Mrs. Byron was in jeopardy for a time, as she was ill on the third floor. She escaped before the firemen reached her and her safety was assured at the end of the search.

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The upper classmen of Howard University will hold their spring reception at Odd Fellows' Hall, April 6.

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The Hon. "Phil" Waters—genial Phil from Charleston, W. Va., "behind the sun"—was in town Sunday, circulating among old friends, under the chaperonage of Attorney James Cubert Campbell. Mr. Waters denies that his visit had an political significance.

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Rumors are afloat that there may be an early consolidation of the Washington Commercial Council and the local branch of the Negro Business League, from which the former is an off-shoot. Such a union would be gratifying to the friends of solidarity, but the promoters of the new organization say that consolidation cannot be thought of as long as the objections exist that brought about the split. President W. Sidney Pittman is highly thought of by the members of the Council, but there is a strenuous "kick" against certain sinister influences that are said to be dominating Mr. Pittman in his league. Hence, the rumor of a union seems far afield at present.

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Messrs. Porter and Davis, experienced theatrical men, have taken charge of the Maceo Theater, corner Eleventh and U streets, owned by Mr. James F. Child. The house has been thoroughly redecorated, and large and beautiful panel oil-paintings have been placed on the broad south wall. The stage has been refitted and furnished with dressing rooms for the performers and everything is now spick and span for the big patronage that is sure to come. This week's business has been unusually heavy, and the Dixie Trio, Messrs. Porter, Jennings and Hill, have proven very attractive top-liners. Mrs. Charles P. Willis continues with the new firm as cashier.

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The Hiawatha Theater is playing to "capacity" every night, and the management is thinking seriously of enlarging the house by carrying the rear wall to the end of the lot, a distance of perhaps twenty feet. Negotiations are pending for the purchase outright of the new and beautiful Howard Theater, on U street, built by a white man, who is afraid to open on account of a threatened boycott. Mr. T. Spencer continues to be the bright and particular star at the Hiawatha, and his popularity knows no waning. It may be that Mr. Finley and Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the dramatic queen, will put on a sketch next month. Miss Davis is now in Richmond filling a series o fengagements, and is meeting with marked success.

The Afro-American Amusement Company, headed by Ralph R. Hawkins and Nathan N. Bell, have acquired the Foraker Theater on Twentieth street, and are making a "go" of it. The same company operated the pioneer Dunbar Theater on U street, which maintains a grip on the fancy of the people, largely through the vocalization of Mr. Rufus Byars and the comicalities of Mr. John Bland.

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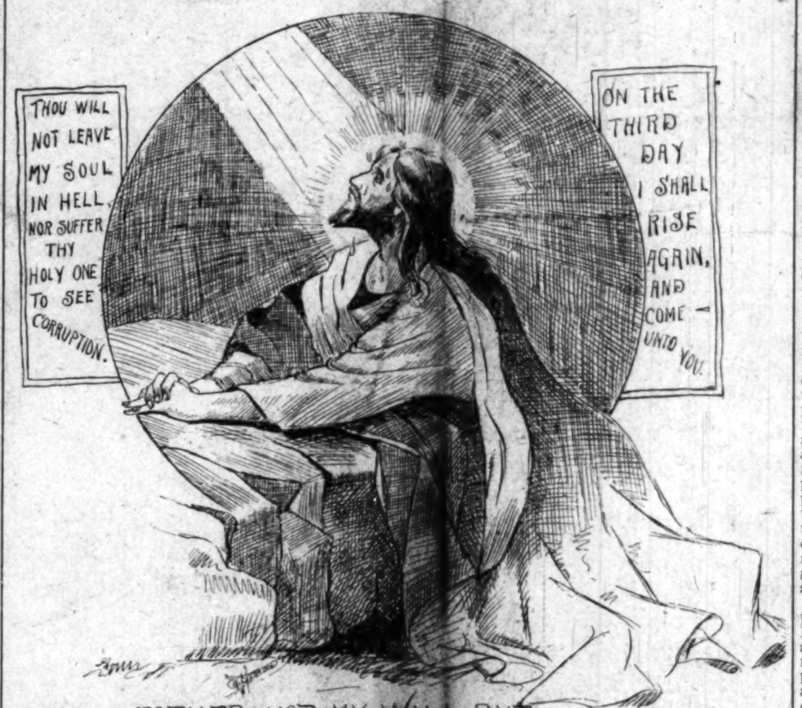
There is still quite a brisk demand for the January number of the Bulletin of the Bureau of American Republics, which contains a highly-interesting article by Dr. Henry W. Furnas, United States Minister to Haiti, entitled "A Trip to Paulo Affonso in Brazil." The story throws a clear light upon a beautiful and historic portion of the Brazilian republic concerning which little has been heretofore known. The article, besides being written in a trenchant style, is fully illustrated by scenes taken on the spot by Dr. Furnas, who is an expert photographer. The production is regarded by the State Department and the Bureau of American Republics as one of the most valuable contributions yet made to the literature dealing with South American development. The announcement is made that the Bulletin has made arrangements with Dr. Furnas to write several other treatises covering experiences in Brazil and Haiti.

R. W. THOMPSON.

THE FIRST EASTER PREPARATION.


THOU WILL NOT LEAVE MY SOUL IN HELL NOR SUFFER THY HOLY ONE TO SEE CORRUPTION.
ON THE THIRD DAY I SHALL RISE AGAIN, AND COME UNTO YOU.

FATHER, NOT MY WILL, BUT THINE BE DONE.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jones, of Cleveland, were in the city Sunday....Miss Loustica Watt, of Duluth, Minn., was married Tuesday. Miss Watt visited the city last summer and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Redout. She has the best wishes of a host of Youngstown friends....Mose Sutton, J. H. Stewart, Mrs. G. M. Fagan, Joseph Thompson, Ruth Williams, Mrs. Hemphill, Joseph Simpson and Mrs. Joseph Finney are on the sick list....Mrs. George Pierce, of Katskill, N. Y., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Swinton, Stop 25, Sharon Line....Charles Dean, better known as "Kid," is in Chicago visiting relatives and friends....The members of the Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. Church Sewing Circle met at Mrs. Angie Rodes' Thursday afternoon. After the routine business the report of the committee on the bazar to be held in the church Monday evening, March 28, was heard, and from the sale of tickets reported it will be a large affair....A. H. Berry gave a dance Friday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Dudley and Miss Laura Anderson, of the Smart Set Company. It was largely attended and a success. The above named were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Berry while in the city. The company is in Cleveland this week....Rev. J. Gardner Ross visited Rev. Baily in Cleveland this week....Mrs. Sid Whitecar, of Columbus, was called to this city on account of the illness of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Will Collins, who remains about the same.... The Mahoning Avenue Baptist Church rally Sunday was well attended and a neat sum raised for the benefit of the church....Rev. Upthegrove, of Salem, is assisting the revival services at the Oak Avenue Church, and the services are well attended....Frank Conway, who has been in the hospital for the past week, was moved to the residence of Will Wright —Mrs. Monroe Myers attended the funeral of her niece, Emma Ruth Brooks, in Massillon, who was drowned in a cistern March 11....Joseph Loving, of New Castle, Pa., visited his sister, Mrs. Mary Washington, of Hine street....Mrs. John Davis, Jr., is the guest of relatives in Elizabeth, Pa....Al the churches will have Easter exercises Sunday, March 27.

BALTIMORE, MD.

Disfranchisement is again agitating the minds of the Democratic politicians of Maryland, two bills to that effect having already been introduced in the Legislature. Some of the Democrats are suggesting that registration be refused the colored voters, but this extreme will hardly be reached....Rev. Dr. J. L. Thomas, field agent of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will begin a ten weeks' tour of the churches of his denomination in Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas the first of April. Dr. Thomas is regarded as one of the most eloquent speakers in the country and is having great success as a church official....Rev. J. Milton Waldron, of Washington, D. C., is delivering a series of lectures at Clayton Williams University this week.

PERU, IND.

Henry Moses is visiting friends at Indianapolis....Mr. Burnett, of English Lake, is visting his daughter, Mrs. Frank Moss....Mrs. Essie Williams is the guest of Mrs. Julia Turner....The Willing Workers gave a St. Patrick social Wednesday evening of last week, which was a grand success....Rev. Cassy Jackson is preparing for a fair at the A. M. E. Church.

HON. WILLIAM T. VERNON

REGISTER OF THE UNITED STATES TREASURY

MAN WITH A REMARKABLE CAREER

A Story of Endeavor and Successful Struggle—Proof That Unselfish Devotion to Race Has Its Reward.

By R. W. Thompson.

The man of any race whose signature is necessary to give value to the legal tender and bonded securities of the greatest government on earth is bound to occupy a large space in the public eye, when, however, the man who attains that dignity is found to be a member of a race that but little over forty years ago was held in chattel slavery by the very nation which now honors him with such a trust, his career may be set down as one of the marvels peculiar to the world's most remarkable century. William T. Vernon, Register of the United States Treasury, is the central figure of a story that reads like fiction. Of imposing stature and engaging personality, he would attract attention in any crowd.

Mr. Vernon was born in Lebanon, Mo. His parents, Adam and Margaret Vernon, desired to give their children an education, and he, with younger members of the family, entered the public school in his native town, and remained there until fifteen years of age, when he entered Lincoln University—the State school for Negroes at Jefferson City—graduating therefrom in 1890 as valedictorian of his class and class orator, having worked his way through college. He taught school in Bonne Terre, Mo., for two years, and was then called to the principalship of a public school in his home town of Lebanon. After four years of service there he resigned to take charge of Western University, at Quindaro, Kan., a part of the educational system of the A. M. E. Church.

This institution then had but one small building and a half a dozen students, and he was the only teacher. He remained there from 1896 to 1906, during which time he had secured appropriations from the State of Kansas, which have grown until, with recent appropriations, these augment a quarter of a million dollars, in additions to other donations and collections. The institution now has 130 acres of land, five large buildings, a faculty of twenty teachers and nearly 400 students. There is now in course of erection upon the campus a commodious girls' dormitory, worth over thirty thousand dollars. It will furnish space for one hundred and fifty young ladies, and will be a steam-heated, electric-lighted and thoroughly modern structure. The institution has its own heating and lighting plant.

Mr. Vernon became active in religious and educational work among his people, as well as prominent in the political affairs of Kansas. He rendered valuable assistance to his party in several exciting State and national campaigns, and, because of this, in addition to his personal merit, sterling character and administrative experiences, he was appointed Register of the Treasury by President Roosevelt in 1906. This responsible position had previously been held by but two Negroes, former Senator B. K. Bruce and Captain J. W. Lyons. So well pleased were the trustees of Western University with his work that when he was appointed Register of the Treasury he was re-elected president of that institution, and granted leave of absence while serving the United States government at Washington.

Mr. Vernon is a life trustee of Wilberforce University. Lincoln University conferred upon him his bachelor degree and a degree of master of arts. Wilberforce has honored him with the degrees of doctor of divinity and doctor of laws. He is affiliated with leading race organizations, and is a thirty-third degree Mason.

Though occupying the position of Register of the Treasury, and with a busy career as a publicist, Mr. Vernon has kept in close touch with church and school work, ranking among the leaders. He has been a delegate to the last three general conferences of his church, working for the best interest of that great denomination.

As a pulpiteer, platform lecturer, commencement orator and writer for magazines and papers, he is in much demand throughout the country. Fervent and eloquent tributes have been paid to his ability as an orator, scholar and practical adviser of his people by the principal dailies in the communities in which he has spoken from time to time. His brilliant and classic diction, his personal magnetism, his sincerity of tone and powerful pleas for correct living and the altruistic practice of any profession undertaken by his race, have been accorded unstinted praise by the white and colored press all over the country.

Mr. Vernon is ever ready to help deserving men and women of his race, and to his unselfish interest and cheerful exercise of a nation-wide influence the appointment, promotion, transfer or retention of numerous Negroes in the federal service and educational pursuits is acknowledged to be true. A few weeks ago he succeeded in having installed, at Western University, a fully-equipped branch postoffice, and had one of the teachers named as postmaster. This is the first school of the race to be so honored in the section of the West lying beyond the Mississippi River. He was likewise instrumental in having Prof. W. H. Hammond, the capable leader of the Western University band, made chief musician of the Ninth U. S. Cavalry, completing the quartet of Negro bandmasters of the four Negro regiments in the army establishment.

Dignified in bearing, as befits his official standing, he is the soul of geniality to all, from the most exalted to the

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Correspondence.

DULUTH, MINN.

Byron's Troubadours played a lecture engagement here on March 11, at the First Presbyterian Church, to an appreciative audience of music lovers. The program was replete with music of a very high order, each number securing well-merited applause. The ensemble work of this organization is without a doubt of a very high order, and the solo work received hearty encores from an audience always critical in its musical taste. The members of the company were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Hollimon, of 223 East Sixth street, after the evening performance, in compliment to Mr. Leon Diggs, who is a brother of Mrs. Hollimon. ....Mrs. Emma Gatewood, of this city, and Mr. Claude Harris were quietly married at the home of Mrs. Shirley, by Rev. Jonathan Brewer, Thursday, March 10, and left the same evening for their new home in Digby, N. D., where Mr. Harris owns a large ranch. Miss Georgiana Gatewood accompanied them....Charles Brody, who formerly managed the White Star Club, has purchased a saloon and buffet, at 116 West Michigan street, and in future will conduct the same as a high-class colored saloon, as the police department has issued what is equivalent to a manifesto that no more liquor will be allowed to be served in clubs not having a State license for the sale of liquor. This action was taken after a careful survey of the situation and numerous conferences between the police and prominent citizens, both black and white. Although this action will no doubt cause some dissatisfaction among those most severely affected, it is generally conceded that the end of the outlaw club is at hand, for the present at any rate, and more than likely for all time....The Literary Society of St. Mark's A. M. E. Church held its weekly meeeting Thursday evening, and a large and enthusiastic audience was in attendance. Several very choice papers were read and were well received. The success of this effort on the part of the younger set is very gratifying, and it is hoped that they may be favored with increasing members at each meeting....Rev. Jonathan Brewer plans to have a literary and musical program Sunday evening, March 27. Work to that end is progressing nicely, and we hope to be able to announce the complete program in next week's letter....Mrs. Joseph H. Glenn has returned home from St. Luke's Hospital, after a successful operation for stomach disorder some two weeks ago, and is progressing nicely, and hopes to soon regain complete health....Complaints, subscriptions, change of address and news items will receive prompt consideration when called to the attention of G. B. Kelley, Duluth, Minn.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Brown & Garner will move their barber shop to Court and Chestnut streets in April, and the firm will then be known as Brown, Garner & Crawford, Crawford having worked with the above firm for a long time....Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Alexander served dinner to a number of young people in honor of Miss Longania Richardson, on Sunday evening, February 13, at 5:30, at their residence on South High street. The guests who were present were: Rev. A. J. Payne, Miss Longania Richardson, Miss Ardelia Richardson, Miss Bertha Dixon, Miss Julia Dixon, Miss Pearl Wheeler, Miss Mary B. Smith, Miss Elizabeth Lewis, Mr. Harry H. Lewis, Mr. Charles O. Henderson and Mr. Thos. Ward. ....Mrs. Ollie Gibson, of Connellsville, Pa., who spent several days visiting friends in our city, has returned to her home....The Morgantown Athletic Baseball Club had a rousing meeting last Friday evening, and they are contemplating a good time when the season opens. Manager Garner and the boys are preparing for one of the best seasons known....There is another baseball team amongst our race, called the Sabraton Tin Mill Athletic Club. They are preparing to play any team that comes their way.... Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dillard's baby boy died last Monday morning and was buried Tuesday afternoon....The Angelican Union rally services will be held in the A. M. E. Church Sunday, March 20. Rev. J. A. Hunt will preach in the afternoon at 3 o'clock, and Rev. A. J. Payne in the evening at 7:45.... The services at Jones Chapel M. E. Church, Chestnut street, last Sunday, were successful all day. Rev. M. Offer, the pastor, spoke of the faithfulness of his people toward him, and he thanked them for their kind care of himself and family during his twelve months' stay....Miss Celia Parker and Mrs. Harriet Parker were visitors on Monongahela avenue, Saturday and Sunday, as guests of Mr. Lyman Fowler, Mrs. Hannah Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Brown....The revival services at Jones Chapel M. E. Church continue this week, and will close Sunday evening. Rev. S. A. Lewis, the evangelist, of Parkersburg, W. Va., is a faithful worker in the vineyard of the Lord....A fine son was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hunt, of Beechurst avenue; Mrs. Belle Banks, a fine son; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holland, of Chestnut street, a fine son....Mr. Jordon, of Washington, D. C., who has been here in the interest of an insurance company, returned to his home yesterday.... Rev. Jenesse, pastor of the white M. E. Church, corner High and Willey streets, preached a good sermon at the Jones Chapel M. E. Church, Chestnut street, last Sunday evening.

YAZOO CITY, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. J. W. L. Gibson, General Life and Accident Insurance agent, is doing a creditable business for himself and race at 112 Commercial Street. He is the only colored man doing a general insurance business, having 15 years' experience. He is formerly of Vicksburg, and has stock in every interprise in the State. He is a graduate of Wilberforce University.... Prof. Ed. Williams, one of the best musicians in this country, has reorganized the Famous Young Men's Band with 18 members, and will play this season at Manchester Park....Mr. Leck McKinney, who spent last spring, summer and autumn in Chicago as chauffeur, is again at home with friends, and has accepted a position at Mr. Bridges' poolroom....Messrs. Mack Davis, "Boissy" Tommie Jennings and A. Meos passed the census enumeration examination with high marks. Davis and Jennings are graduates of the A. and A. College, Rodney, Miss., and Meos of Paris, France; New York City and Oberlin University. Mr. Mack Davis has also been appointed railway mail clerk on the A. & V. Railroad....The finest custom house in the South will soon be completed at this place. The foreman on this magnificent building was Mr. Henry Strayhorn, the senior member of the firm of Strayhorn & Berry Undertaking Company, who has been with the construction company of Rubish & Dabb for 20 years. Mr. Frank Pack was temporary foreman until Mr. Strayhorn arrived. Messrs. Frank Yarber of Natchez, Miss.; Dan Johnson and Albert Sims of Yazoo City, Miss., expert bricklayers, have been with this construction company since the beginning of this building and have given perfect satisfaction. All of the labor on this building is colored but the stonecutters....The weather for farming and gardening has been ideal and many thousand acres of corn have been planted.... Mr. Willie Lee, the efficient harnessmaker for the Strickland Harness Company, is giving good service. He is the manager and foreman, and has a large force working....Mr. Sam Thomas, one of the best mathematicians the Race has produced (having made some of the best text-books on the subject) has been appointed trustee of the M. E. church at this place. Mr. Thomas is a first-class letter carrier and has been in the service ever since it opened in this city. He is an authority on geometry and arithmetic.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Before the largest crowd ever assembled in St. James A. M. E. church, Mr. Jack Johnson, the great pugilist of the day, delivered a very interesting address on Thursday afternoon, March 10. Mr. Johnson's subject was, "The Influence of My Christian Mother." "My mother's teachings to me when I was a youngster and the things she had to do without to keep me in school, even the few years I did go, is what first inspired in me the ambition to succeed," said the fighter. "When I first broached the prize fight idea to her, she did not like it; but when I showed her that it was a business proposition she said, 'Go ahead and win.' And following that suggestion, I have done my best." Mr. Johnson's wife was with him while in the city....The Sunday Forum met last Sunday afternoon at St. Peter A. M. E. church. A short interesting program was rendered....A suprise party was given on the Rev. Roberts of St. Peters A. M. E. church Thursday evening of last week. The reverend received several presents. ....The members and friends of Bethesda Baptist church are trying to raise $250 by the first of next month with which to purchase a parsonage for the church. The present home of the pastor is to be purchased and moved to the rear of the church, and is to always be the home of the pastors and their families that occupy the pulpit in Bethesda church. Several of the members and friends have books with which they are soliciting, and everyone is expected to contribute something toward the good cause. Anything from a penny as high as you wish to go will be accepted....Mrs. B. S. Smith is on the road to recovery after a long illness....Miss O. Knott departed for her home in Great Falls, Mont., last Tuesday. Miss Knott has ben visiting with her aunt, Mrs. Robert S. Brittion of Harriet avenue, South. ....Starting with the first Sunday in April the Bethesda Baptist Sunday School hours will be changed from 12:30 noon, to 9:30 a. m....Mr. and Mrs. Jeffries and family are now located in their new home, Thirty-sixth street and Fifth avenue, South....Dr. Red, our new physician, is now located in his new office, First avenue, South, and Third street, and is doing nicely....The ushers of Bethesda Baptist church, assisted by the men of the church, are going to give a grand musical concert on or about the first Friday in next month. The correct date will be given next week....James F. Wilson of 2818 Chicago avenue, is THE FREEMAN correspondent and agent in this city, and would like to supply more people each week with a copy of the paper and also receive your news items weekly. Buy a copy of THE FREEMAN and read the news. It will open your eyes to many interesting topics.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. William Gray, D. D., of Chicago, Ill., is in our city, assisting Rev. V. S. Cooper in the revival meetings at the Second Baptist Church. There were four converts Sunday, making six so far for baptism, and three others have been received under Christian experience. There is much enthusiasm shown, and if the people will come out and help, Battle Creek will be set on fire.... The Knights of Pythias will have their annual sermon on Easter Sunday at the A. M. E. Church. It will be preached by Rev. I. F. Williams....Mrs. L. Farmer is just about the same at this writing....Mrs. W. M. Delyons has been on the sick list the past week....Presiding Elder C. E. Ellen preached at the A. M. E. Church last Wednesday evening....George Wilson, the famous left-hand pitcher of the Page French Giants, is in our city, visiting Mr. J. W. Patterson. He is looking well and is able to pitch just as good as he used to....Mrs. D. Salspaugh entertained in honor of Mr. A. D. Green, the event being his thirtieth birthday....Aunty Dungill was buried at Oak Hill Cemetery last Monday....The Misses Clarissa Russell, Vera White and Myrtle Chandler, of Kalamazoo, Mich., spent Sunday here, the guests of Miss Emily Griffin....Mrs. E. Goodwin is improving....The Willing Workers' Society met at the home of Mrs. D. Buckner, of Sunnyside street, last Wednesday afternoon....Mrs. Wm. Johnson is on the sick list....Rev. C. E. Ellen was entertained by Mrs. J. T. Buckner last Thursday....Don't forget the revival meetings at the Second Baptist Church. Attend them. They will do you good.

TARBORO, N. C.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The presiding elder, Rev. Gaskill, was here to attend the quarterly meeting, and preached a fine sermon on "Pray and Fast." A 3-o'clock service was held and was well attended. After the service the funeral of Ernest Cherry was held, and Rev. Moore officiated. Prayer was led by Rev. Thompson, of the Eastern Star Church. The deceased leaves a wife, mother and children. ....The sixth anniversary of the Knights of Gideon was held at St. Stephen Church, March 10, and was conducted by Rev. Tilery, assisted by Rev. Thompson. Presiding officer, W. C. Dunn, marshal; secretary, Frank Gray, who spoke in the interest of the society; paper read by Miss Laura Williams; Bible lesson by Miss Lizzie Lewis. Those who wish to join can do so for '2.50. Everybody invited....The Masonic Lodge met last Monday night. Quite a large number of members were out. The young lodge met Tuesday night, the 9th, with the young master in possession. Master, Mr. Hutchinson; secretary, Mr. David Hall. All wish the young men success....Miss Fannie Killebrew is still on the sick list....S. B. Moore was in town in the interest of the insurance company....Mrs. Ada Dancy Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dancy, has been in town visiting her parents, and left Tuesday, the 9th, for Boston, Mass., to join her husband....The shop of Nathan Williams has a fine set of barbers, and we wish them success.

C. L. DE RANDAMIE DEAD.

We regret to note the death of one of Topeka (Kan.) leading colored citizens, Mr. C. L. DeRandamie, at one time a clerk in the State auditor's office, making a splendid record for efficiency during his occupancy of the office. He was at one time rated as being well to do, owning considerable real estate in the capital city of the State. Mr. DeRandamie died at the home of a nephew in Guthrie, Okla. We are indebted to the Topeka Plaindealer for this bit of information respecting the deceased gentleman.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Elites were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Glore, on Pagan street, last week. A very enjoyable evening was spent in dancing and at cards. Mrs. E. Hickman will have the club next, on North Walnut street. The same good time is anticipated....Mr. Ross Howell is on the sick list, but is expected to be out soon. We wish him a speedy recovery... Mrs. G. W. Bland and Miss Daisy Bland entertained a number of ladies last Tuesday evening at a dinner party. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Geo. Garrett, of Terre Haute, Ind., and Miss Sallie Dunn, of Chicago....Mr. Harry Russell is out again....We are glad to note that J. B. Allen and K. B. Black are still adding to their business. We wish them success.... The first annual party given by the Elite Club will be remembered quite a while. It was one of the prettiest affairs that has been given by any club in this city for quite a while. The Owls will give their first in April....For The Freeman see Wm. Manning, at the Oliver Hotel, or 1059 Portage avenue.

SHERMAN, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Binkley Hotel waiters have reorganized their baseball team, with the following members, under the management of Tom (Baby) Rodgers, formerly of the Oriental Hotel, at Dallas: Jesse Hunt, catcher; "Baby" Rodgers, pitcher; Chas. Brotherton, first base; Chas. H. Harris, second base; C. R. Crain, shortstop; Tom Hawkins, third base; F. R. Robinson, left field; Sam Lackey, center field; Edward Thomas, right field; Dora Hawkins, mascot. For any information address Wm. Smith, headwaiter, Binkley Hotel.

WEST BADEN, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

West Baden is enjoying fine weather, and business is fine at all the hotels and bath houses....The Pittsburg, Chicago and Louisville baseball clubs have been in training and the guests have enjoyed their daily practice....The West Baden Sprudels will organize in a couple of weeks, and promise a first-class team. It is not known at the present writing who will play, but the writer will say that the patrons of West Baden need not fear a "bum" team, as there are plenty of ball players who will come at the writing. Mr. Burnett, the well-known baseball magnate, says if they are not ball players when he gets them, he makes ball players out of them. If you want to know the West Baden ball "dope" see this paper April 2. But please don't borrow a paper to see it....Mrs. Thomas Lane went to Louisville for a few days' shopping, as also did Miss Della Blain, of French Lick....Miss Lena Crawford is the guest of Mrs. Sara Martin, of French Lick....Miss Phoebe Douglas and Mrs. Maria Richards went to Louisville on a little pleasure trip....Miss Warneta Wilson and Mr. Geo. Kimbrough, better known as "Sparrow," are making quite a hit at Rice's Cafe, in their song, "When the Sun Goes Down." Mr. Kimbrough is from Cleveland, Tenn., and Miss Wilson from Louisville. Both are excellent entertainers. Miss Wilson was formerly with Lee's Minstrels, while Mr. Kimbrough took third prize in the Chicago piano contest of 1909.

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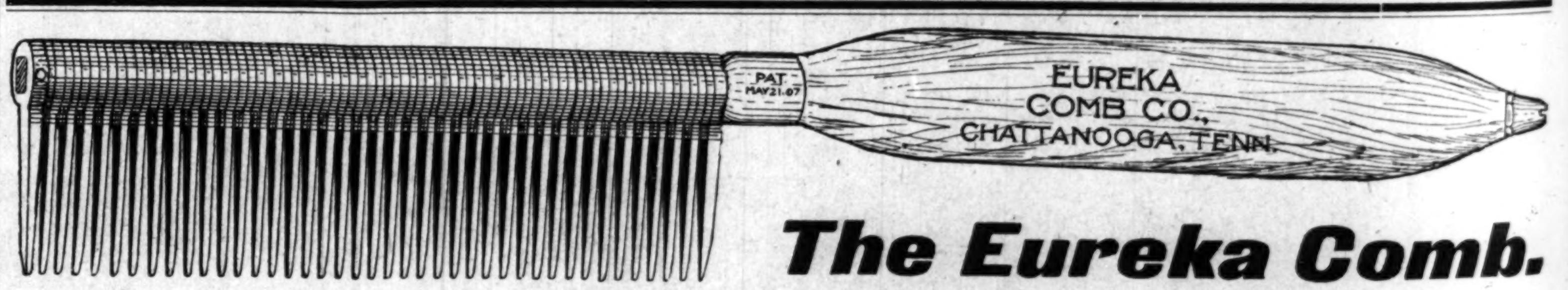
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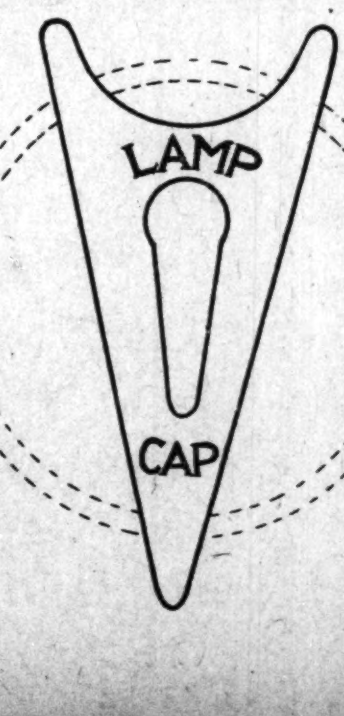

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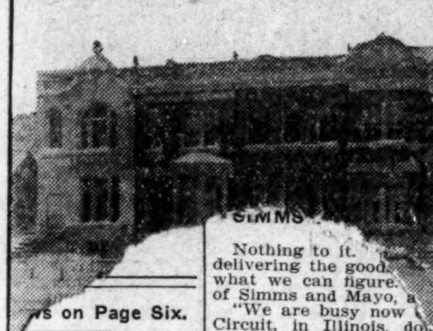

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SPECIAL TO THE FREEMAN.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 20.—Atlanta Baptist College is to have a new classroom, the erection of which was commenced last wek. The structure is endowed by Mr. Carnegie and others, and will cost upwards of $42,000. It will be devoted to manuel training as well as general class work. The building will be 170 x50 feet, three stories above basement.

Spelman Seminary, sear the college, is an entirely different and separate institution—in buildings, faculty and board of trustees. John Hope, A. M., president of the school, is an entertaining gentleman of culture and refinement. I was driven out to the institution at the instance of Mr. D. T. Howard, the popular undertaker of the city, who furnished one of his handsome carriages for the purpose. In the party were Messrs. G. Hill, our hustling local agent; R. E. Pharrow, the famous contractor and builder, who, by the way, is the contractor on the building going up, and P. A. Thomas, owner of a local theatre.

The people of Atlanta are hospitable and thoroughly up-to-date. They are profitably identified with most of the common commercial pursuits and seem to be prospering in everything.

Dr. Amos, proprietor of the Gate City Pharmacy, is a gentleman of the old school. I sjent many delightful hours with him, and said goodbye with genuine regret. Much of business success was due to the untiring efforts of Dr. Amos.

I find the Negroes here engaged extensively in the insurance business. They own beautiful homes. There are five drug stores operated by colored men and innumerable groceries and other enterprises conducted by them. Perhaps one of the best equipped and appointed shoe stores I have ever seen operated by our race is right here in Atlanta. It was my pleasure to see the $30,000 home of Mr. Herrendon, the barber, of which much has been written in the colored press. It was worth the journey to see.

The Negroes own many thousand of dollars worth of church property here and some of the structures are beautiful indeed. Decatur street, of which much has been written, consequent upon the recent riot, is being rapidly invaded by colored five and ten-cent theaters. All are doing a thriving business.

In my talk with the officials of the city I find a general expression of regret for the riot. They were a unit in its condemnation. Upon investigation I have been thoroughly convinced that the trouble was started by the "red-necks" or poor and irresponsible elements of the whites, inflamed by the glaring and misleading head lines in the daily papers of crimes that were subsequently proven to have never been committed.

J. D. HOWARD.

GALVESTON, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. E. L. Howard, the evangelist, is still in our city. She will lecture on that famous subject, "The Negro of To-day and the Negro of Forty Years Agao," at Holy Rosary Hall, on Tuesday, March 22, at 8:30 p. m. It will be a treat to hear her....Dr. L. D. Davis has his offices at 417 Twenty-fifth street, where he will serve all who wish to visit him at his office....Banks & Montgomery, proprietors of the Eureka Cafe, will be glad to serve the public at all times....Jas. Bryant has been indisposed for the past two weeks, but is on the mend at this writing. ....Henry Sibley is still confined to his bed, at 414 Twenty-ninth street....Mrs. Etta McPherson is ill at her residence, 915 Ninth street. She is doing nicely....Rev. Dixon, founder of the Dixon-Gordon Orphan Home, at Spring, Tex., paid us a visit last week, in the interest of the Home....The annual thanksgiving sermon of the K. of P. and Court of Calanthe, of this city, will be held at Reedy Chapel A. M. E. Church, Rev. J. H. L. Rhone, pastor, on Easter Sunday, March 27, at 3 p. m....The Moores (Allen and Ella) have closed at the Ruby Theater. They have formed a trio and will be known as Moore, Conner and Moore. They open at Atlanta, Ga., next week....Mr. Elbert White, the phenomenal baritone, has closed at the Ruby, and is now at Houston, Tex. ....The Merry Howards are still sojourning in the sea-wall city....Mr. C. Huff, owner of the Ruby Theater, was in Houston last Sunday....At the Ruby this week two new teams appear. The old favorites, the Centers, are back again, making good, as usual. ....The Freeman is on sale at 1216 Twenty-sixth street, by Mr. Andrew McPherson, who is the agent in this city.

MARION, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Genius Club gave an entertainment at the Bethel A. M. E. Church on the 9th of March....The Lebanon Club met at the Bethel A. M. E. Church, Monday evening, March 14....The Allen Christian Endeavor League holds its regular meeting Sunday evening, at 6 o'clock, at the church....Mr. Carl Logan, who has a position in Chicago, was compelled to come home on account of sickness....Mrs. Daniel Pope and Miss Elnora Goodner are reported on the sick list....Mrs. Lulu Morris, wife of Jesse Morris, died Saturday, March 12, at her home in Monroe street. The funeral was conducted by the pastor of the A. M. E. Church, Rev. J. H. Fisher, and interment was at Rose Hill Cemetery....Rev. W. M. J. Northcross, pastor of the Paul Chapel Baptist Church, of this city, was called to Duquoin, Ill., last week, to preach an ordination sermon.... The members of Paul Chapel met last Thursday evening and organized a Literary Society. J. G. Calhoun was elected president and Minna Gray secretary. The society will meet every Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All members are expected to attend.

WASHINGTON, PA.

Special to The Freeman.

The concert and supper given at St. Paul A. M. E. Church Thursday evening was on a high-class order. All who missed it missed a rare treat. The Boston Imperial Quartette highly entertained the audience of the evening....Miss Lillian Berry, of Wheeling, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Bolden last Sunday....Mrs. Birdie Gordon and Miss R. Johnson, of Pittsburg, were visitors in town this week.... Mrs. E. H. Jones has returned home, after a short visit in Wheeling, W. Va....Miss Mamie Mull, a student of Avery Trade School of Allegheny, spent Sunday in town....Miss Bertha Johnson and George Collins were the guests of the Misses Grose last Sunday....Marshall Wasler, of Pittsburg, spent Sunday in town....Miss Emily Mosbery, of this city, is the guest of Miss Florence Blake, of Homested, Pa. ....Mr. William Hays, of Sharon, Pa., is the guest of his friends and relatives.... Owing to the death of their relatives, H. Thomas, Sell Thomas and Richard Thomas were called to Uniontown, Pa.... Miss S. Ruffiner has returned home, after several days spent in Pittsburg....Miss Lucy Howard, of Uniontown, is spending several days with her relatives....Mrs. Hugh Ruffiner, of Cumberland, Md., is visiting friends and relatives in the city. ....Mr. Wilk Chatman was in Homestead last week on business.

DES MOINES, IOWA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

William and John Wilkison have purchased a new motor boat, with a seating capacity of ten....Edward Comley, of Minnesota, is visiting his brother, Gus Comley, at the residence of John Wilkison....Miss Edythe Comley and Mrs. Gertrude Cannady were the guests of honor at a 6 o'clock dinner, on Thursday evening, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Rivers....Mrs. Dr. Williams and little daughter returned to the city Friday evening, after an all winter's stay at the home of her mother, near Indianapolis, Ind....The Rev. Daniels will preach the annual sermon of Mt. Olive Court on Sunday, March 20, at their hall on Tenth and Center streets....Mr. and Mrs. Mathews, Ninth street, were host and hostess to the members of the O. W. L. Club Friday evening....Wm. Wilkison, Louis Strothers and Miss Edythe Comley have returned from Webster City, where they went to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ramey, the mother of Mrs. Charles Comley....The Cosmopolitan Literary Society was especially interesting on last Thursday evening. Miss Ione Wilson read a very interesting paper on Harriet Beecher Stowe. The paper was discussed by Mrs. Ruperta Hogsette, Miss Addie Wilkison and Mr. Judith Cook. A select reading by Miss Corine Morris; vocal solo, Mrs. S. H. Armstead; paper, Wm. Lloyd Garrison and Miss Anna Reeves; discussion by Mesdames J. B. Rush and Mary Patterson, and Arthur W. Branham and R. W. Brown. ....Arthur Brown will leave the city Tuesday for Atchison, Kans. His wife and son will join him later....Mrs. Barbara Smith has been on the sick list for the past seven days....Little Bernice, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hamilton, has been very sick for the past two weeks. Her mother has been called to her bedside....The many friends of Mr. George H. Cleggett were shocked to hear of his death, which occurred suddenly last Wednesday evening, while returning home from his barber shop. Mr. Cleggett leaves a widow, one son, G. H. Cleggett, Jr., and two daughters, Mrs. Will Jones and Miss Ada, and a host of friends. The funeral was in charge of the North Star Lodge, No. 2, at the Union Congregational Church, at 2 p. m., Friday. Mrs. Cleggett and family have the sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

Special to The Freeman.

On Sunday, March 6, Dorothy Learye aPrker, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Parker, was christened at the Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Church, South New Jersey avenue, by Rev. McKenna. Mr. Robt. E. Queen is godfather. After the ceremony luncheon was served at the residence, 906 Baltic avenue. Mr. Parker for years has been employed in the Atlantic City postoffice, and is a son of Mr. Jas. Parker, 1908 Etting street, Baltimore, Md....Mr. James Kilingsworth, after spending the winter months visiting friends in South Carolina and Florida, has returned to the seashore for the season....Mr. Henry Marshall and Mr. John Parker, of the local postoffice, are now on vacation....Miss Mannie Branch, under the watchful care of Nurse B. Williams, is rapidly gaining her strength, and will soon greet her Household of Ruth sisters in the lodge....Mr. Samuel Parker, considered to be the wealthiest man of color in New Jersey, was stricken with apoplexy near his home in Hackensack, N. J., while hitching up one of his teams, last Monday....Miss Mable Pleasent, registered at the Aspinwall, 1617 Arctic avenue, the past few weeks, has returned to her home in New York City, much improved by her visit to the seashore....Miss Clara Lewis, of Philadelphia, has arrived for the Easter season....Mrs. Solon Stafford and her mother, Mrs. Geo. Wood, are with us once again, after an absence of a year's residence in the City of Brotherly Love.... Master David Satchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Satchell, one of the pioneer citizens of Atlantic City, was buried from St. James Church last Sunday. The Rosebud Society and True Reformers turned out in large numbers to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed member of their order....Mr. and Mrs. Vanholler, of Trenton, N. J., are on their honeymoon, and have registered at the Riddley Hotel for a two weeks' stay. Mrs. Vanholler, nee Rosa Gibbs, is a former resident of Atlantic City, and was quite an influential worker in Price Memorial Sunday school and church....The strike which is being carried on by the car men in Philadelphia, Pa., is the means of keeping all of our hotels full....Dr. Mason, the noted secretary of the Freedman Aid Society, will be the guest of the white New Jersey Annual Conference, which is now in session at St. Paul's Church, Ohio and Pacific avenues. Bishop Henry Speelmeyer, D. D., LL. D., of St. Louis, will assign Dr. Mason to speak in one of our largest churches and richest congregations.

ASHDOWN, ARK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Nancy Jetton, one of the oldest settlers of Little River county, died on the 6th inst., and Miss Bessie Johnson died the same day....Rev. S. T. Standly, of Guthrie, Okla., was with us on the 27th ult., at the Baptist Church, and preached a great sermon. He had his subject well in hand, and seemed to have interested all that were present....The Quarterly Conference, held at the C. M. E. Church, on the 5th inst., was quite a success, both religiously and financially. Rev. Geo. Young, P. E., reports having fairly good success among all his churches....The business interest is fully alive here among men of color. We seem to have taken the advice of Mr. Washington, "Let your bucket down where you are." ....W. A. Faut made a business trip to Texarkana, Ark., on the 10th inst. If you need a house built as it should be, consult Faut. He is on to his job....A. B. Owens, one of our prosperous citizens and a gentleman whose head is always set in proper order upon his shoulders, went to Texarkana on the 11th inst....If you don't wish to get disappointed in anything in the grocery line, call at McCollum's....Go to J. D. McCollum's store for The Freeman.

BOWLING GREEN, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Miss Mary Jackson, who has been teaching at Bristow, has been elected to teach in the public school, taking the place of the late Prof. G. A. Jones. She is a good and efficient teacher....The students of Bowling Green Academy will give a drama Friday night, April 1, at the C. P. Church....Dr. R. L. Hyde, president of Bowling Green Academy and pastor of the C. P. Church, has resigned his pastorate on account of his health. He has been pastor of the church and president of the school eight years. Dr. Hyde is a good man, and we are sorry to lose him. We hope he will soon regain his health....*The Anchor*, our local paper, is a fine paper, and is being commended by all who read it....Any one who wants THE FREEMAN will please notify W. E. Houston. He will be found at the Bowling Green Academy at all times; new phone 546....Prof. F. S. Coleman was elected and ordained as a ruling elder in the C. P. Church last Sunday....Come out to the Y. M. C. A. Sunday. Subject for discussion, "Sincerity."

NEVADA, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A grand reception was given in honor of Rev. W. B. Brooks, D. D., of Kansas City District St. Johns A. M. E. Church. Rev. R. C. Davis is the pastor. Prof. W. L. Horne rendered excellent music. Solos by Mrs. W. L. Horne and Rev. R. C. Davis, and recitals by Miss Ula Brown and Mrs. Annie Hamley; papers by Mrs. Martha Estill and Miss Elva Reynolds; trombone solo by William Davis. The address by Rev. W. B. Brooks lifted the audience to a higher intellectual plane and will do much good for years to come. Under the pastorate of Rev. R. C. Davis the church has taken on new life and much is expected...Miss Ula Brown, after an extended visit with Mrs. Annie Hamby, has returned to her home in Waverly, Mo. ...Miss Margaret Lacey, who has been ill, is much improved...Mrs. Jemina Campbell left last Saturday morning for Kansas City to see her daughter Beulah, who is ill...Mrs. Marion Dale, who has been on the sick list for some weeks, is improving...The A. M. E. Church is planning a grand rally...Rev. O. D. Bonds preached at the Baptist church Sunday to an appreciative audience.

BONHAM, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Cela Lane, of Oklahoma City, is here visiting relatives and friends....Mrs. Sarah Person is convalescent, after a long spell of illness....The Bonham Orchestra is now ready to play anywhere in the State. Tonie Bayyard, 309 South Center street, is manager....The Graveyard Association met last Thursday night and decided to buy a new lot....Mrs. Annie Shane departed this life March 8. She was a member of the Daughters of Tabor....Mrs. Callie Johnson has returned from Gainesville....Nora Tatum, of Honey Grove, is in the city.

BELOIT, WIS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. O. H. Lee and daughter, Doris, of South Bend, Ind., are visiting at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. J. Abraham Bond....J. W. Bond left for Milwaukee the past week to accept a first-class position as molder....Miss Ida Horton has been seriously ill at her home in Mill street....Mrs. J. Bond and daughter, Marjorie Abraham, of 628 Harrison avenue, have been ill for the past week....Rockford was well represented in Beloit, Sunday.

PARIS, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Henry Brooks is reported better and her son, of Toledo, O., has left for his home. ....French Thompson has bought another piece of very valuable property, and will occupy it later on, with his family....There is a large call in our town for labor to go to Axina, O., the call being for colored girls and young men to work in a tobacco works. ....The Christian Church had an old folks' concert, and it was quite a success....Mrs. Julia Sanders, of Claysville, is much better. ....Mrs. Pete Mason, of Claysville, is dead.

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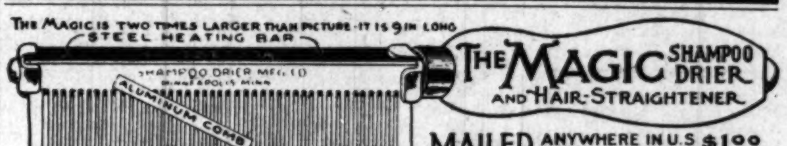

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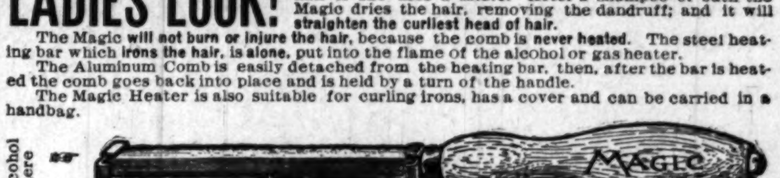

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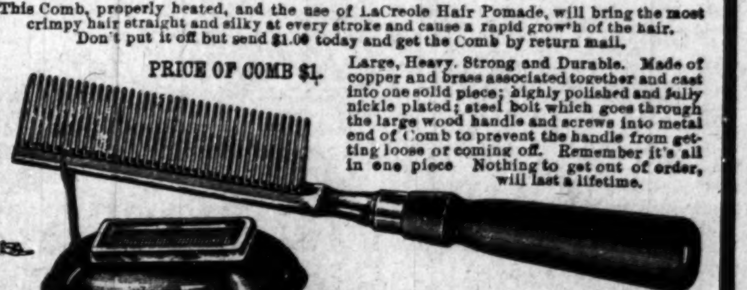

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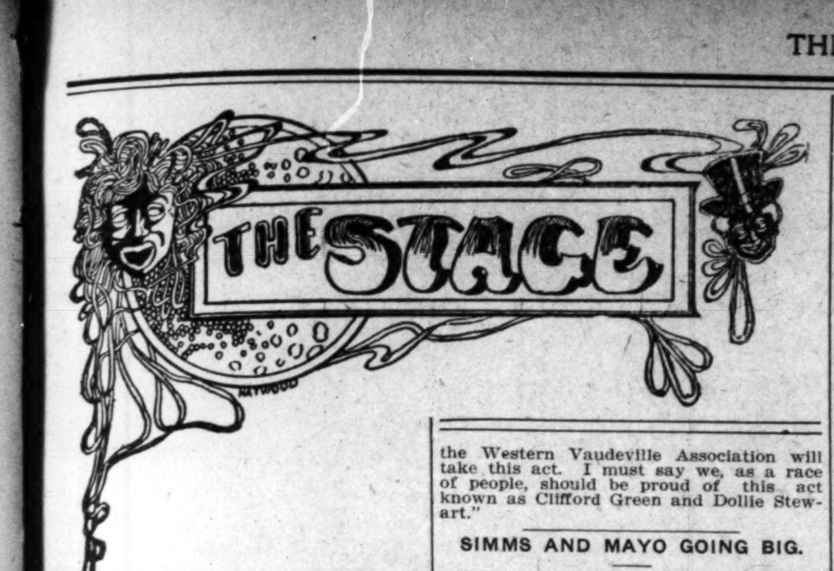

Additional Stage News on Page Six.

Bert Williams will appear at Hammerstein's the week of April 18.

Willie Richardson, the Mobile Kid, is making a big hit at the Belmont Street Theater at Pensacola.

The Arntes, Billy and Grace, the success of two continents, have sailed for America from London, England.

Willie Owens has just closed a three months' engagement at the Eldorado Theater, at Pensacola, and has joined the A. G. Allen Minstrels.

H. L. Rawles, of the Lowery-Morgan Minstrels, is spending the time at Washington, D. C., pending the opening of the Wallace-Hagenbeck Circus at Peru, Ind., April 23.

Sadie Pewee, of the team of Pewees, went through a serious operation at Cincinnati, O., and is getting along fine. She will rest this summer and resume work in the fall.

The Cubanola Trio, Alberta Pieper, Grace Hoyt and Laura Bailey, is meeting with much success at the Majestic Theater this week. Miss Bailey is owner and manager.

Jennie Gallie, of the Lowery-Morgan Minstrels of the past season, has been the guest of friends for several days at Indianapolis, leaving Monday for Denver, Col., to join the Sells-Floto Circus.

LaShe, the One, the Great, the Only, is now in Chicago, having opened at the Casino, with the Pekin to follow. He is singing "A Stalling Coon," and it has caught State street. Regards to all friends.

The Whitney Musical Comedy Company will again be known as Barton and Wiswell's Southern Smart Set Company, under the personal direction of S. H. Dudley, with T. L. Corwell as manager of the company. Their tour will extend through forty weeks, covering all the Southern States and the Pacific coast. S. Tutt Whitney and J. Homer Tutt will be responsible for the show. They promise a brand new George Washington Bullion.

The team of Porter and Russell have just closed a six weeks' engagement at the Olympic Theater, Charleston, S. C., and have now opened up in Atlanta, Ga., at the famous Pekin, and little Blanche Russell is taking the house by storm, singing "That Tantalizing Rag" and "That Chinatown Rag," and when she gets through with those two songs and her cute acrobatic dance, she leaves the boys throwing their hats to the top of the house. Porter puts on that comical song, "I'se Got a New Way to Walk Dat de Policeman Can't Catch On." They send best regards to friends in and out of the profession and would like to hear from Baby Seals and William Benbow.

Bradford and Bradford have closed a successful engagement at Norfolk, Va., Globe Theater. They opened Monday, March 14, at the Dixie Theater, Richmond, Va., and made a decided hit singing their own songs—"Savannah Jane," "Take Me Back to Dear Old Georgia, Where I'se Born," and Perry Bradford singing "When Jack Johnson Wins the Championship of the World," setting Richmond wild. Mrs. Venete Bradford sends regards to Sam Davis and Elizabeth Davis. Bradford sends regards to Slim Henderson, Prof. Mikel, Marion Brooks, and says where is Joe Brown and Single Billy Starks? This is our last week South. We open at the Orpheum, McKeesport, Pa., week of March 28. Lonnie Reed write, care of Orpheum Theater, McKeesport, Pa., week of the 28th; week of April 4, Auditorium, Johnstown, Pa.

IMPORTANT TO MEMBERS.

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PEKIN THEATER, TULSA, OKLA.

The Pekin Theater has three shows—main show, Tulsa Branch, Muskogee, and Oklahoma City. They are meeting with great success, booking acts for the entire circuit. Williams and Moss are the originators of the latest and most popular song hit, "Hoghead, Chicken and 'Possum." Brookens is the contortionist; Walton, slack wire walker; Miss Olivia Medcalf, soubrette; Miss Rosa Gibbs, pianist.

HARRY FIDLER GAINS WEIGHT WHILE ILL.

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WILL ATTEND SUMNER LEAGUE MINSTREL.

Fidler and Shelton have a few more weeks in the East, and will open the 18th of May on the Denver Orpheum Circuit, closing the week of the 17th of July at Chicago. They will pass through Indianapolis, en route West, to see the Sumner League Minstrel, as Mr. Shelton was the founder of same. After closing in Chicago they contemplate a trip to England, having received many good offers.

CROWDS SEE GOOD PLAY AT TAFT THEATER.

The show is good this week, and therefore splendid crowds attend. The opening skit, entitled "Mayor of Coontown," went big, with Clarke and Davenport in the leading comedy roles. They got the applause and they deserved it. Mr. Tyalor got all he could out of his small part. The songs were very good, especially those Misses Robinson and Hopkins sang. Much of the laurels should be given Robert Taylor for producing such a successful play as "The Mayor of Coontown."

Robert Clark, Jr., Elmore Taylor and Jesse Palmer send regards to Eugene Clarke and bunch.

SAYS TAYLOR AND GREEN ARE TRUE ARTISTS.

Mr. Albert Smith, the well-known manager of the Edward Gaither theatrical interests, in speaking of a young team by the name of Green and Stewart—Clifford and Dollie—which appeared at the Gaither Theater, in Cincinnati, recently, said: "Green and Stewart are the biggest hit we have ever had in our house. With their singing and funny sayings they are on top. They have left our town in an uproar. It will only be a short time before the Western Vaudeville Association will take this act. I must say we, as a race of people, should be proud of this act known as Clifford Green and Dollie Stewart."

SIMMS AND MAYO GOING BIG.

Nothing to it. Why, Joe Simms is still delivering the goods in a great way, from what we can figure. Joe is of the team of Simms and Mayo, and he writes:

"We are busy now on the Metropolitan Circuit, in Illinois, doing nicely everywhere. When we close this time we expect to take some Western vaudeville association. Regards to Marion A. Brooks, Billie King and Earthquake."

By that we may hope to see the clever pair before long. Joe says he is going to take special interest in our campaign for 5,000 subscribers, and will start immediately. Bully for Joe, if he means it, and we think he does.

WHITNEY MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY.

The Whitney Musical Comedy Company is still making a hit in Indiana. It is conceded to be the most successful company in the State. S. Tutt Whitney and J. Homer Tutt were greeted Sunday by many of their friends from Logansport. Harry Brooks, Geo. C. Parker, Jim Turner and Bert Acres were among the many. Next week the Tutt Brothers will appear in their home town, Logansport. Their many friends, white and colored, are preparing to give them a royal reception. Mabel Brown is convalescing from a severe attack of la grippe. Miss Ethel Marshall, Miss Nettie Taylor, Miss Babe Brown and Hallie Dean made efficient understudies for the different shows.

THE RUBY THEATER, GALVESTON, TEXAS.

Everything is running nicely and everybody is well pleased with our new stage manager, Tom Hicks, who is sending them away nightly with smiling faces. That always pleasing comedy sketch team, the Centers, Geo. and Annie, are back and still holding their own. Marie Jackson, our singing soubrette, is still a card, and that old-timer, Edward L. Howard, of the team of the Merry Howards, the team that has the reputation of being the swellest dressed team that has ever played the State of Texas, is our straight man. All send regards to Chintz and Ella Moore, Poor Boy, Mable Johnston and Kegg. Also Ransom and Ransom, and Paul and Mamie Carter.

THE AUDITORIUM, AT PHILADELPHIA.

Business has begun to assume normal proportions, now that the great labor strike promises to be settled, and the nightly crowds are again thronging the Auditorium, as before the strike was declared. The box office was closed twice on Wednesday evening and three times on Saturday evening, and the S. R. O. sign makes nightly appearance at the entrance. So much for the character of the performances being given at this house. The week of March 14, the Skinners, Vernon and Emma, were held over to head the bill, and the great receptions they received attested their popularity. The supporting bill included Walter Emory, in a new character sketch, Adair Sisters, in a novelty singing act, and Miss Carrie White, in illustrated songs. For the week of March 21, Jeffery and Cole, a New York headline act, feature the bill, and are supported by the Seven Dancing Dolls, in an original musical treat, "School Days;" Robbins and Robbins, Frank and Bessie, in a black-face comedy sketch, and Arthur Jones, the instrumentalist.

THE GLOBE THEATER, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

We are still doing the business. Every member in the bunch is a winner in his or her line of work. Among the number are Williams and Shackelford, who are a scream from start to finish. Next is that sweet little singer, Miss Ray Nickels, whose voice is above the average, and she knows just how to use it. Watson and Watson have also scored a hit, singing "I'm Crazy 'bout the Girl that Wears the Mary Jane." Mr. Brown, of the famous Dixie Trio, the baritone, is still with us, and gets his. Last, but not least, comes our stage manager, Sam Davis, who receives great credit for his funny productions. Sam is a comedian that knows how to win the audience. He gets a scream as soon as he shows his head from behind the wings. He always leaves the ladies something to think and laugh over, and the boys something new to whistle. This week they are whistling Marion Cook's late song success, "Mammy's 'Lasses Candy Child." Sam is no more called "Sambo," but "'Lasses Candy Child." "That's All." Regards to Bradford and Bradford, Means and Williams. Would like to hear from them.

PEKIN THEATER AT SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.

This is the only colored place of amusement now open in Savannah, and is located at 625 West Broad street. The opening bill was a first-class musical comedy, "Jim Green's Tailor Shop." Our roster shows Jas. Crosby, featuring that beautiful song, "Jim-a-DeJeff." Also we have the Allens, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mr. Allen made an awful hit with his latest composition, "Tantalizing Brown." The Payne sisters are a big hit on the bill, singing "Glad I Met You" and "Spaghetti Row." The team of Johnson and Watts is still in the minds of all who have heard them. Mrs. Watts is a dream singing "Carissima" and "Tale of Woe." Baby Watts is—nuff said; takes three and four encores in "Bon Bon Buddie" and "The Chocolate Drops." Mr. Jas. De Costa, our phenomenal baritone singer, is numbered in the place of high talent. We also have Prof. John C. Heywood's orchestra, playing some of the latest selections. Prof. Heywood, leader, violinist; Mrs. Virginia Middleton, pianist; Mr. Wm. Brown, trap drummer; Mr. Samuel Middleton, cornetist; Mr. E. F. Davis, trombone. The bunch wishes to be remembered to all friends in and out of the profession. Mr. Jas. Crosby is stage manager; Mr. W. J. Stiles, manager, and Mr. Jas. E. Rogers, stage carpenter.

THE AIRDOME THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Joal & Watts, Proprietors and Managers.

The week of March 14 at the Airdome started all of Jacksonville to talking about the shows offered in this popular amusement resort. The two shows a night, with their popular prices, 10 and 20 cents, just hit the amusement seeker. The manner in which this house is managed proves that Mr. Joal is fast pushing to the front as a successful manager. The show offered this week has proved a winner. It opens with a forty-minute playlet by Marion A. Brooks, with Slim Henderson, supported by Miss Theresa Burroughs, Miss Viola Stewart, Miss Lena Wiggens, Messrs. Lew Kenner, John Lewis, Jack Wiggens and J. W. Ellis. Mr. Henderson extended himself in this funny little farce, and at the finish he and his supporting company took two clean curtain calls, something unknown in this house. Much can be said of Mr. Henderson's admirable support. Miss Burroughs, as his wife, proved herself still as being a clever handler of lines, and her conception of the part was of much assistance to Mr. Henderson's comedy. Miss Stewart, as the dainty housemaid, introduced a new character to the patrons of the Airdome, and will make many friends for her clever work in this part. This little Miss Stewart seems to have her work at heart, from the manner and pains with which she dresses her parts, and will soon grow popular. Oh, that Miss Wiggens! She is as useful in a playlet as she is to her partner, Jack, in their act. She is very pleasing. Messrs. Kenner and Lewis again showed their usefulness as the main support in this sketch, and in a small dramatic situation, which they interpolated, brought from the gallery gods a big round of applause. J. W. Ellis, who did the old man character last week so successfully, has again made good as the head of a rough gang about town. The second week of Wiggens and Wiggens has found them going bigger than the first week. They all thought Jack was through dancing, but the clever Jack was joking with them the first week, and Jack has the nerve to say that on his third and last week he will start to dancing. Look out, "Kid" Thomas, for your Buddy. Then came that awful Earthquake. Mr. Billy Earthquake closed the show again. This time with a purely local sketch, "In Oakland after Dark," by Marion Brooks. Oakland is a small colored settlement just out of Jacksonville, and the idea is built around to fit Mr. Earthquake, and he just simply "sits on it." Those who know his style of working can imagine how many pistol shots are fired, and somebody must be killed or badly beaten up. He is supported by Mr. Kenner and the entire company, and turns the show out screaming. Mr. Earthquake has created many bywords in Jacksonville, and they can be heard on the streets every day. Theodore Reading's orchestra of five pieces consists of the following: John Young, cornet; Ralph Redman, trombone; Joe White, drums; E. B. Dudley, violin; Theodore Reading, piano and leader. Mr. E. B. Dudley closes this week to take charge of the band and orchestra for Kersands' Big Minstrels, under canvas. He will be succeeded by Sam Foster, the violinist. Every one wishes Mr. Dudley success in his new enterprise. John Young sends regards to Eugene Clark and wife. Richard Mathews, of Chicago, Mose McQuitte, Mr. Everette and Dick Thomas, of New York, came in town this week for rehearsals with Kersands' shows.

ABOARD A. G. ALLEN'S PRIVATE CAR, "IDA MAY."

We are in Mississippi this week, and everybody is well. German White, acrobatic comedian, joined recently. He immediately joined hands with J. J. Perry, forming the team of White and Perry, doing a silence and fun turn, in which Mr. White holds the audience in spellbound amazement with his high jumping and clean somersaults. Then Mr. Perry starts the house applauding with his funny comedy. Robert Miller and Wm. (Tuba) Thomas made a uying trip to their respective homes, March 20, to visit friends. H. S. Smith is back, after a delightful trip to Savannah, Ga. Master Clifton Boyd (Kid Wood) continues to hold his own with his contortions, never failing to score. C. Adam La Rose is singing "My Little Kangaroo" with great success. G. B. Brooks, veteran E flat cornetist, wishes to be remembered to the profession. He still holds his own with his instrument. Chas. Laurendine, trap drummer, of Mobile, Ala., joined recently, and has proven himself a valuable acquirement. He sends regards to all friends. The Dixie Quartette, composed of Messrs. Philip Williams (first tenor), W. A. Dixon (second tenor), J. B. Norton (first bass) and Norris Grigsby (second bass), acquit themselves with great credit nightly, singing everything from classical to ragtime. The company send regards to B. F. Stevens and Joe Miller.

PEOPLE'S THEATER AT HOUSTON, TEXAS.

"The Georgia Honey Boy," Billy Henderson, is back again, knocking 'em out with his latest composition, "You Ain't Had No Fire in dat Stove To-day." A scream? Why, certainly. As the word implies, "Bill" knows what to do, and has a company of full-fledged performers, that are artists in their respective lines. There are Gussie Love, leading lady and characters; Agie Tansel, soubrette; Dotty Mobley, soprano; Baby Cleo, the little dancing idol and mascot; Hezekiah (Dude) Mobley, leading comedian; Frank Tansel, second comedian; Elbert White, baritone and assistant straight; Billy Henderson, "The Georgia Honey Boy," leading man and characters. The company this week is seen to advantage in the great dramatic success, "Railroad Jack," Billy Henderson in the title roll and Miss Gussie Love playing heavies. The Mobleys, as well as the Tansels and Elbert White, are just cleaning up. Prof. H. (Kid) Love, our popular piano king, with Geo. Williams, America's foremost and famous trap drummer, are more than holding their own in the orchestra pit. The company says hello to friends. Billy Henderson would like to hear from Wm. Benbow, The Temple bunch at New Orleans, The Exchange at Jacksonville, Fla., also Happy Howe and Daddy Billy Kersands. Address People's Theater, Houston, Tex., 211 Milam street.

WAYNE, PA.

Special to **The Freeman.**

On last Tuesday evening the Alpha Lyceum was visited by J. C. Price, of Philadelphia. A fine program was rendered to a large crowd, after which refreshments were served....Mr. Jay Hazel, of Pottstown, Pa., now residing here, is one of the A. L. able speakers....Mr. E. Mitchell gave a whist and stag party on Friday evening at his residence in honor of Wm. A. Taylor of Cranberry, N. J., at Mt. Pleasant....If you wish to learn something about your home read The Freeman—on sale every Saturday at Randolph's barber shop, Fairview Avenue, at Holly & Redmond's grocery store, Mt. Pleasant, or a card to J. H. Gardiner, Waynewood, will bring one to your residence, or subscribe. Best results from advertisements in this paper....Tally & Bell will soon open a new hotel and cafe ....Miss Annie Williams will soon have her cards out announcing a star concert at Union Hall....A grand concert and box social was given on Thursday evening, March 17, at Rev. J. H. Ringgold's, St. John's A. M. E. Church, under the management of Mrs. Long....The novelty ball at Union Hall, Thursday night, April 21, will be largely attended by the girls from Bryn Mawr, West Chester, Philadelphia, Pa., and Riverton, N. J.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to **The Freeman.**

The joint committee of K. of P. lodges has selected Fair Park Auditorium for the Thanksgiving exercises, which will be held there Sunday. Free seats and an excellent program will be rendered and every department of the order will be represented. The public will be provided with plenty of seats....Miss Lucile Banks, of this city, has joined her father in Chattanooga, Tenn., where she will reside in the future....Prof. K. W. Hardy will leave this city for Washington, D. C., with the intention of taking examinations to be in the future in Uncle Sam's service....Mr. William and D. W. Hardin were called to East Texas last Monday to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Bettie Hendricks. The many friends here are in deep sympathy with the bereaved ones in their sad hours....The remains of Lonnie Scott were laid to rest in Temple, Texas, after a short illness....The Freeman representative found subscribers in the parlors of the Lasso Club and was shown through the Booth section by Secretary Wm. Debron and President E. G. Williams at the Texas Social. We found the manager too busy improving new boxes and generally overhauling everywhere to better accommodate the comers and goers....At the Guess Who James and Lane were as busy as bees looking after the installing of new mission furniture, easy chairs, more new books and two statutes of Richard Allen and Dr. Booker T. Washington, in the library so that the members can be better accommodated in the future. So if you live in the confines of the great metropolis of the West and visit Dallas, get busy, take out a membership and visit some while making your rounds. You will see Jo Jo, Tangle Eve Ogle, Froncil Louie, Dillingham, Mack Lane, Davie and others of the jolly times, so be on your way to the clubs....The local talent in Dallas is comparing very favorably with that to be found anywhere in the country and everybody should be proud of it. The young people at Mt. Rose, St. John, New Hope, Macedonia, Gallilee, Free Will, St. James, Eauening Chapel, St. Paul, Bethel and Congregational churches, who appear in the various programs from time to time are making progress in the right way for the race and a deserving people.

CHICAGO, ILL.

Special to **The Freeman:**

Mrs. Lillian Wilson left the city Tuesday en route to Olivet, Tenn., to visit her mother, who is ill with pneumonia.... Miss Mae Coleman has been ill at her home for the past week and it is the sincere desire of her friends that she will be able to resume her former sphere....The funeral services of Mr. Albert McIntosh were held at Quinn Chapel Saturday, March 19, and were largely attended. His sister, Mrs. Dempsey, just buried her husband, Mr. D. J. Dempsey, who has been a mail carried for a number of years, on Wednesday previous. It is thought by the friends of Mrs. Dempsey that she bears up well under the strain....Hon. W. T. Vernon passed through the city and was warmly greeted by all who knew him. He was en route to Kansas to visit relatives....A goodly number of our colored citizens of Chicago are moving out to Blue Island, Ill. Many have bought land and completed their homes and are getting along nicely. The vicinity is growing rapidly and bide fair to become one of the leading suburban colored villages ....Rev. Vivart, of Massachusetts, gave quite an interesting lecture on temperance at Zion Church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. He pointed out many evils that come of the drink curse and showed in many ways how the millions of dollars spent for this drink could so comfortably supply many families with the necessities of life....Mr. and Mrs. Day, 3531 Dearborn street, are contemplating purchasing a home, and hope in the very near future to be comfortably settled therein ....The musicale given at the piano store of Frank L. Gale & Co., Friday evening, March 18, was largely attended as was anticipated. The program rendered was extraordinary and every one seemed to be pleased and in high spirits. There were also on display many beautiful pianos, phonographs, organs, etc....The Bishop G. L. Blackwell, of Zion A. M. E. Church, will preach a noble sermon on Wednesday evening, March 23, at which time the revival choir will sing. On Thursday evening a banquet will be tendered in his honor. Among the guests will be Rev. G. B. Shaw, Bishop Blackwell, Rev. Colbert and wife and others....Mrs. Ida Bell, of Clarksville, Tenn., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Maweathers, at 1152 East 47th street, will be given an Easter breakfast, March 28, by her many friends at the home of Mrs. Dannie Raynor, 2950 State street. Mrs. Bell will leave Sunday night for Seattle, Wash., where she will spend three weeks visiting relatives, then go to Winnipeg, Mann., for the summer.

VALDOSTA, GA.

Special to **The Freeman.**

Misses Gertrude and Onorhene Walton entertained last Wednesday evening at 8:30 at their home on South Patterson street, in honor of Miss Pearl Marshall, of Savannah. In the midst of this entertainment solos, both vocal and instrumental, were rendered by some of those who attended. About twenty-five guests were present, this being one of the loveliest events of the season. A collation was served....Miss Marshall was also entertained by Miss Susie Duncan at her home on North Johnson street, at 6:30 Sunday evening, there being about fifteen present....The table was beautifully decorated with palms and lillies....Miss Beulah Brown entertained Miss Marshall at her cozy home on Jackson street Monday evening at 7:00. A considerable crowd was present and all were highly entertained....Mrs. Range, of Savannah avenue, also entertained Miss Marshall Sunday afternoon. She left the city Wednesday afternoon for Bainbridge to visit relatives and friends, after which she will return to her home in Savannah....Mrs. E. L. Morton, of Brunswick, spent last week in the city....After having spent six or eight months in Atlanta, Macon, West Point and La Grange, Mr. C. W. Thomas, the well-known barber, has returned to the city and resumed his duty ....Mr. Arthur Duncan has returned to the city after having spent two months in Atlanta and West Point....The Phyllis Wheatley Club gave an entertainment at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church Thursday night for the benefit of erecting a home for the aged in Valdosta....Dr. M. H. Cobb has left Valdosta for Quitman to practice in that city.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CAN.

Special to **The Freeman.**

C. W. Thompson arrived last week from Wainwright, and intends making his home in this city....B. F. Jones, of Lashburn, Saskatchewan, was in the city last week visiting his nephew, Arthur Jones....Mr. Miller, of Winnipeg, was in the city last week, running in Mr. Grant's place on the Canadian Northern, Mr. Grant being sick in bed, but is much better at this writing....Prof. Jones, recently from Clarview, Okla., left last week for Morinville on a business trip....Edward Jones, who was found last week in a pool of water, from a collapse, and was removed to the Misercordia Hospital, where he was treated by Dr. J. R. L. Christian, is able to be about now....S. B. Kirk was in from his homestead last week.... Mr. Green, of Winnipeg, was in the city last week....The "Alberta Red," a new monthly magazine of Alberta, and published in this city, made its first appearance last month....Arthur Golden was in the city for about a week from his homestead at Jarrow on business and to visit his mother and brother....Miss Anna Paris, of Calgary, arrived last week and expects to make her home here.... Z. W. Mitchell has purchased a new ten-room house at 547 Sutherland street, and has moved in same....It has been rumored that Mr. and Mrs. Shackleford, of Winnipeg, are to move to Edmonton.... Perhaps the largest funeral that Edmonton has ever had occurred last week, being the funeral of the late Mr. Morris, who was engaged in real estate business in this city for a number of years back. He carried insurance totaling $33,000.... Mrs. Pierson is much better at this writing and is expected to be out of the hospital in a few days....Leave all news matter, advertisements, subscriptions, changes of address, or any complaint of not receiving The Freeman, etc., with Clifford C. Mitchell, the Edmonton correspondent. Call at 240 Jasper Avenue East. Phone 1637, or address P. O. Box 845.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

Special to **The Freeman.**

Mr. John Hays, who resides near the Big Bayou, received a very painful wound last Saturday, which caused him to lose two of his fingers by an accidental discharge of a shotgun....Miss Katie Ely left last Sunday for Mobile, after spending a very pleasant stay here with friends ....Mr. Robert Taylor, of New York, is a business visitor to the city this week and is shaking hands with his numerous old friends....A meeting of the Pensacola Business League will be held Monday, March 21, and plans to entertain the State Business League, which meets here in July, will be discussed....The Escambia County teachers held a meeting at Mount Zion Baptist Church last Monday night, which was very interesting. A program was rendered. President A. L. Birksey presided and those that attended are very much pleased with the work of the teachers....A meeting of the Evening Entertainers was held last Wednesday night and plans were made to entertain their friends on the 30th with an Easter entertainment at the K. of P. Hall. This club is one of the newly organized clubs, and only those that present their invitations at the door are admitted....The banquet given by the Court of Alanthes last Wednesday night in honor of Mrs. L. B. Reed, of Jacksonville, Fla., was well attended and a delightful time was enjoyed....The Pensaloca High and the Pensacola Normal met last Friday afternoon in an interesting game of baseball. The high school was defeated by a score of 3 to 2. At the end of six innings the umpire declared the game forfeited in favor of the Normals on account of the refusal of the Captain of the High School team to return to the field after a long argument for the reversal of a decision.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Special to **The Freeman.**

The $9,000 building, the gift in part of Maj. A. C. Rosencranz, to the colored Y. M. C. A., is being renovated and put into superb condition for successful work along religious, gymnastic, literary and musical lines. The chairman of the board of management, M. A. Davis, of the Clark High School faculty, is leaving no stone unturned to increase the membership and make the work a new life to greater Evansville....Rev. R. J. M. Long, presiding elder of the Evansville District A. M. E. Church Conference of Indiana, was in the city Saturday on business.... Rev. J. F. Pettiford, of the Fifth Street A. M. E. Church, preached at Mt. Vernon Sunday afternoon, and the Rev. Casey officiated Sunday night at Fifth Street. Rev. Harrison is conducting a successful revival at Liberty Baptist Church....The Hon. W. A. Gaines is in the city looking after his business interests here. The city is proud of its distinguished visitor, whose able address at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday before last will be long remembered....Rev. W. H. Anderson celebrated his fortieth anniversary in the work of the gospel on Sunday, the 13th. From the testimonials of those who knew him and lived and associated with him, we glean that his entire life has been one of service to God and to his fellow man, and that he is held in high esteem by all. The personnel of the new board of management of the Y. M. C. A. is as follows: M. A. Davis, Prof. J. D. Cox, Prof. P. T. Miller, Lawyer Wilson, H. D. Smith, Dr. J. J. Jackson, Dr. G. W. Buckner, J. T. Roberts, J. W. Waddy, Jas. G. Green, J. Wesley Baker and Dennis Powell. The above body solicits the membership of every Negro in the city for the Association.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Special to **The Freeman.**

One of the happy society events of the past week was the wedding of Mrs. Hamilton James, the popular bass soloist of Union Memorial choir, and Miss Una Hazel McKinney....Miss Hallie R. Brown appears this week at St. Paul A. M. E. Church....Prof. E. W. Newsome's lecture before Quinn Chapel Christian Endeavor Society Sunday evening was very much appreciated....The Swastika Club, of Union Memorial Church, is preparing for a grand drama on April 1....Rev. Parker, of Pleasant Green Baptist Church, is having much success in his revival efforts and is planning for a big baptizing in the Mississippi river on Easter Sunday....Mrs. Mollie Gray has returned home after a visit to relatives in Cape Girardeau....Mr. Noah Clark, our popular florist, is meeting with much success ....Miss Mattie Jenkins, one of our city school teachers, is quite ill....A grand concert and military drill contest was given Monday night at Douglass Hall for the benefit of Lane Tabernacle building fund....The Methodist Brotherhood Club of Union Memorial Church is preparing to give Rev. Abbott, the pastor, and District Superintendent Gillum a grand reception....The Knight Templars will have their annual sermon Easter Sunday at the Masonic Temple.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to **The Freeman.**

Dr. C. A. Kelly spent Sunday, March 20, in Nashville, Tenn....Miss Lucy Broadie was married to Mr. Alex Judkins, Sunday, March 20....Mr. Manuel Wisdom is quite ill at his home on High street....Mr. Claton Cross is very ill.... St. Mary Chapel celebrated Palm Sunday, March 20. A very large crowd was present. They also gave an entertainment Monday night, March 21, which was very much enjoyed....Miss Alice Perry was brought here from St. Louis Tuesday, March 15, and buried.

ADDINGTON, OHIO.

Palm Sunday was well conducted at the Second Baptist Church Sunday evening. The pastor, Rev. S. D. Saunders, made an able address on the subject "And Palms in Their Hands." Mrs. E. L. Boyer and Mrs. Martha Davis sang several beautiful selections amid the waving of palms, which were well received. The day was an ideal one and the attendance was good. The revival will continue for an indefinite period. Much good has been accomplished along that line. Rev. J. P. Moore, of Cincinnati, has been assisting in the meetings....The Freeman agent desires to have all news items left at the most convenient places and the same will receive prompt attention. Do not fail.... Quite a number from here attended the baptizing at Delhi Sunday.

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S. H. DUDLEY, IN "HIS HONOR, THE BARBER"—Philadelphia, Pa., week of March 27.

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WHANGDOODLE COMEDY FOUR—Haverhill, Mass., week of March 28.

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FIVE THOUSAND MORE BY JUNE 25, 1910.

Here's what we will do to stimulate a country wide campaign for a greater Freeman. We want 5,000 new subscribers on our mailing list, and will give the following premiums to those who will help us to secure them. The premiums are as follows:

Premium 1. An Auto-Run-About for the highest over 700, providing we have four or more contestants. The total number in the aggregate shall number not less than 700, the Auto to go to the one sending in the highest number of that number (700).

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For this contest all communications bearing on it must be addressed to the managing editor, George L. Knox. Get busy!

THE STORY OF THE RESURRECTION.

"In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door and sat upon it.

His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow.

And for fear of him the keepers did shake and became as dead men.

And the angel answered and said unto the women, fear not ye; for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.

He is not here; for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

And go quickly, and tell his diciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him; lo, I have told you.

And they departed quickly from the sepulche with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word.

And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet and worshipped him.

Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid; go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me."

Principal Booker T. Washington, of the Tuskegee Institute, will deliver the annual address before the Dunbar Literary Club of Fisk University, on March 30, and is also to speak on March 31 in connection with the inauguration of the new president of the university, Dr. George A. aGtes.

Puffing and muck raking are twin brothers who should be buried together in one grave speedily for the good of the race and nation. You can tell a person's worth without puffing him to death. You can get along better and live longer in the appreciation of the wide, wide world without muck raking. Stand up in your boots and everywhere be a person of whom your blood kin or neighbors "needeth not be ashamed."

The pleasing surprise to the colored citizens this week was in the announcement of a colored man on the reception committee to welcome home from his world tour ex-Vice-President Fairbanks and Mrs. Fairbanks on Thursday of the passing week, and that colored man was none other than the popular and deserving to be remembered representative of the race, Hon. George L. Knox, managing editor of this paper. The Freeman had simply to call attention to the omission when this was its reward. Hurrah for justice and fair play.

"My faith assures me that all national law and physical force—the source of it all—is infinite justice, righteousness, goodness. Such qualities exist and they belong not to things nor forces; they can only belong to persons. The heart of the universe must be a loving will—a Being whom I can love; and I can love nothing that cannot love me. With this Being I may live in infinite personal relation. He must know me better than I know myself; He is the life of my life, the light of my reason, the pure flame of my holiest affection."—Washington Gladden, D. D.

School closing is near at hand, and here are some ethical questions that our young graduates might discuss as class orations, they being timely and in place. They are as follows:

1. What races or nationalities that now have, or that once had, an independent existence? Have they the right to determine their own future course, or must they submit to abortion in combinations of nationalities controlled by stronger governments or come under the control of other nations?

2. Does political equality or do political rights of any kind, so far as they are secured to the colored races by law, involve any obligation to confer social rights and privileges?

3. Has the union of white and colored races of any kind been, on the whole, an advantage, and helpful to civilization? Is the mingling of the white races with the yellow, brown or black tribes and nations desirable?

4. Are the colored races inferior by nature to the white nations, or is their backwardness in arts of civilization the result merely of external events and influences?

5. Have the white races anywhere the right to hold in subordination for their own good, the colored races and weaker nations and tribes described as savage, barbarous or half civilized?

6. What reason is there for treating Cuba, Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippines each in a different way, giving or withholding rights and priviliges according to the will of our government? How far shall the United States approach the colonial policy of foreign empires like England and Germany, or a republic like France?

7. Has the Republic of Liberia and other countries governed by colored people been a success? Are they progressive?

Might not some of our college papers and church organs take up the discussion as above suggested? There is abundant food for thought in the questions propounded, and already some of our leading white newspapers in exchange with us are discussing them. Let us stop so much "puffing" and "muck raking" and "fooling" and begin to think, and reason out the great ethical questions affecting us as a people and nation. What will you answer, please?

NEGRO HISTORY.

The New York Age, a creditable and well edited paper, appealing directly to the race sentiment of the Afro-American, says in a late editorial that schools for colored children should adopt the teaching of "Negro history." We do not endorse that idea with any frankness ardl dorse that idea with any frankincense at all. Nor do we endorse the idea that southern schools should teach "Southern history." Both are sentimental, class and pestiferous. Even were a codification of what the Age terms "Negro history" glaringly rich in historical data it could have a presaging evil effect only. The deeds of the race are incidently known; meritorious acts, which are not the basis of true history, are incorporated in American history such as is taught in the school. History, proper, is not a mere collation of incidents, however, appealing to our sense of race pride or however eumulative. History embraces the philosophy of human action through endeavor and projected influences. To this plane the Afro-American has not and can not obtain because of his irremedial environments. No history teaching is worth consideration that is one-sided or inoperative. Then we depreciate any tendency to furthermore emphasize class or race or creed in our institutions, public or private. Liberia may support a history; so may Haiti. Each country probably includes its teaching in the schools, but not on racial grounds any more than history in our schools is taught on racial grounds. The merits of men deserving any are elucidated in biographies and general literature, which can be supplementary in history teaching. But take the bad or ill of it, it is not at all desirable or essential to adopt any work of this character into our school save a good text labeled U. S. History.—The Seattle Republican.

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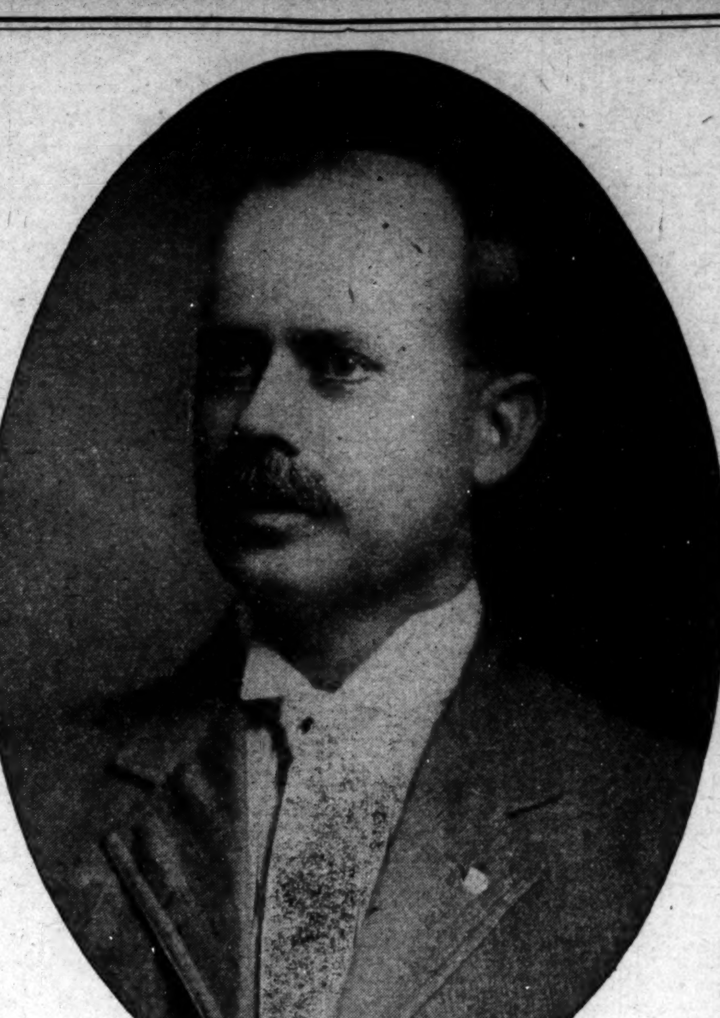
We coincide with the view of the New York Age, and respectively beg to differ from our esteemed contemporary, The Seattle Republican. The United States history is bias and lacking sense of broad mindedness, of fairness, of justice, of impartiality, as to give the "Negro historical datas" from an unprejudiced view point, and thus it looks with cross eyes at the "meritorous acts," which we think are the basis of true history, of the noble men and women of a race that was once enslaved, but which has made the most remarkable record, or history, if you please, of any of the progressive races of mankind. Our Seattle contemporary forgets that when it would have us to omit the record of a distinctive race history that it runs up against a time-honored and practiced act of other races. The Greeks wrote of themselves and gave us philosophy and the Roman law, the Jews wrote of themselves and gave us ethics, the Teutons wrote of themselves and gave the true concept of liberty, the Africans wrote of themselves and gave us the latin language that was afterward stolen from them—these Saxon combines. We charge the Saxon with teaching a prejudiced and partial history, with teaching glaring fallacies and an erroneous historical fact, viz: The inferiority of the Negro and black races. This is false teaching and contradictory of the word of God, which saith: "For God hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth." We are prepared to say that the Afro-American has a history that "embraces the philosophy of human action through endeavor and projected influences," and the Afro-American child will never learn that fact through a white historian, because he is not broad enough to tell the TRUTH of "historical data" concerning his brother in black. The complete humanity of the Afro-American has been denied him because of previous condition of servitude; hence, he has been classed as "inferior race." Since it is a demonstrated fact that the Afro-American intellectually has proved himself the equal of the Saxon, or any race of mankind, we want our children's children to know and appreciate that fact.



ASHER W. GRAY,

Candidate for Clerk of Marion County, subject to the Republican Primaries. He solicits your support.

We want them to know, so far as it refers to the Afro-American and the Saxon-American—two different races, but having the same antecedents and subject to the same environments—that it is a proof positive that they will produce the same results, and that that is proven history in America. That in war, as a soldier; in college, as a student; in the fields, as a farmer; in the studio, as an artist; in the university, as a scholar; when called as a clergyman, a poet, patriot, orator, citizen, the Afro-American has demonstrated his ability and productivity, and since this is an established fact we regard it very essential that the world know it from the history of the Afro-American. Ella Wheeler Wilcox says a great truth in these lines:

"Out of the wilderness, out of the night,
Has the black man crawled to the dawn of the light;
Beaten by lashes, and bound by chains,
A beast of burden with soul and brains,
He has come through sorrow and need and woe,
And the cry of his heart is to know, to know.

"Out of the wilderness, out of the night,
Has the black man crawled to the dawn of the light;
He has come through the valley of great despair—
He has borne what no white man ever can bear—
And the cry of his heart is to know, to know."

A STRONG APPEAL.

One of the strongest appeals ever heard in this city was that made Sunday at the Congregational Church by Miss Walker, head of the colored girls' industrial school at Indianapolis. Without any attempt at oratory or fiery language, she presented the claims of her school and her race in a manner which could not be withstood. She depicted in glowing terms the disabilities under which the colored young people labor; not admitted to trades, to clerkships, to positions as bookkeepers or teachers, yet, here originally against their will, they cannot get away, and so imploringly their leaders beg for only a fair chance in the race of life. The lady was modest and unassuming, and at the close many hastened forward to offer congratulations which were gratefully received.

Unless there is some reason not stated by Miss Walker why the 40,000 colored population of Indianapolis are not entitled to such an institution and the paltry $3,000 asked for to pay for the building, her lecture would have been much more aptly styled the shame and disgrace of Indianapolis, a city whose citizens are abundantly able to erect a thousand such structures. The fact that the lady is obliged to solicit help from other States should cause the people of the capital of Indiana to hang their heads for shame. —*Jacksonville (Ill.) Daily Journal.*

The institution founded by Miss Dayse Deane Walker is styled Young Colored Women's Protective Association, which from its inception has been generously aided by the citizens of Indianapolis, irrespective of race. The purchase price of the building originally amounted to $3,000, and nearly if not quite $2,000 of that amount has been raised right here in Indianapolis, collected by Miss Walker and her assistants in "rallies" and by other methods, due credit for which should have been given by her in the Jacksonville speech, and we would not have had to read about "the shame and disgrace of Indianapolis," as above quoted from the Journal. If there is any shame and disgrace in this affair, it reflects more to Miss Dayse D. Walker than to the philanthropic and—we were about to say—too credulous public of the capital city of Indiana. That a school and industry of the scope and character previsioned by Miss Walker is needed in this city to benefit our girls goes without saying. That the people, and particularly the colored people, believed Miss Walker capable of establishing and carrying on, such an institution is evidenced by the manifest confidence they imposed in her, demonstrated by the generous responses for means to effect the same, and Miss Walker does herself no credit nor the cause any good by running about the country telling such tales as to compel strangers without to look upon us here in the capital city in the way and manner as above expressed by the Journal of Jacksonville, Ill. If she don't soon check up and make a clean breast of this thing, the Indianapolis public will realize that it has misplaced confidence in her. Before judging us too harshly, strangers everywhere and anywhere who may be appealed to to assist should investigate and learn at first hand all the facts about this supposed "colored girls' industrial school of Indianapolis."

NARCISSUS (A GREEK MYTH).

Josephine S. Yates, A. M., Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo.

Where is Narcissus, gilded youth,
Beloved of all the woodland nymphs?
Alas! One day his own fair form in truth,
In fountain clear, he sees.

Henceforth, himself alone he knows,
He loves, or sees, or hears,
And dwindling now to naught, 'mid friends and foes,
On earth, nor yet in Heaven, his form appears.

Thus, lost from all that beauteous train, we count
As gods and goddesses of mythic lore,
That circled round the sacred mount,
Sad, sad, indeed, the fate Narcissus bore!

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At length, from dew-besprinkled flower,
That brightens all the shady slope,
A plaintive cry, "Behold my tomb!"
"Narcissus! Here!" The nymphs seize hope!

With nimble steps and shouts of joy,
The fairy flower, they soon uproot beneath the trees;
And vainly strive to find the long-lost boy,
Whose mournful cry dies on the breeze

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And to this day, where e'er that flower nods,
Those gentle nymphs, with utmost care,
Still seek the youth who loving self above the gods,
Lost self, and earth, and Heaven so rare.

So, there you'll find them, Echo,—shy,—
Since Juno's curse,—and all the rest,
When dewy morn, or starry eve, is nigh,
If you the glen will search, with proper zest.

MITCHELL, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

Walter Walden, of Terre Haute, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Yancy....Mrs. Buckner, of Indianapolis, is visiting her father, Mr. Henry Ervin....Mr. George Ervin, of Bloomington, visited his brother Henry last week....Mr. Frank Davis and Mr. Henry Ervin were in Bloomington last week on business....Mr. Arra Terrell made a business trip to Indianapolis last week....Miss Beatrice Bonds, of Pinkstaff, Ill., is visiting her brother and family, Mr. Oston Bonds....The Busy Bee Club will meet with Miss Janie Harper Monday evening, Miss Bertha Cooper captain....Mr. James Russell and sister, Miss Cora, entertained clubs Nos. 1 and 3 Tuesday evening....The ladies of the A. M. E. Church organized the W. M. Missionary Society Thursday afternoon....Mr. Wm. Allen, one of the old pioneers, passed away Friday evening at the age of seventy years. He was highly respected by all who knew him. He had liver here for forty-seven years. He leaves a wife, two sons and several stepchildren, grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. His funeral was conducted Sunday afternoon at the A. M. E. Church by Rev. H. J. Thompson. Mr. Walter Hawkins, of Terre Haute; Mrs. Allie Polk and aunt, of Washington; Mr. Phelpes and Mr. Boomen, of Paoli; Mr. Todd and family, of Orleans, and Mr. Pettiford, Mrs. Fines and Mrs. Frazer, of Bedford, attended the funeral Sunday afternoon....Mrs. Lewis, of Bloomington, visited her father last week, Mr. Lenard Lewis....Mrs. Ellen Rain is able to be out again....Mrs. Henrietta Lewis is on the sick list....Miss Bertha Hyte is in with the measles....Beatrice Allen has the measles....The adult choir, under the management of Mrs. Mary F. Thompson, is preparing a special Easter program for Sunday night at the A. M. E. Church.

DECATUR ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. H. Meadlock and Mrs. M. Spayne left the city Friday morning for Jacksonville to visit their mother, Mrs. Wright ....The Temple Builders of the A. M. E. Church gave a fine musicale concert on Thursday night in connection with a lecture given by Rev. Phelle Mae, of Bombay, East India. He also spoke at St. Peter's A. M. E. Church at 10:45 a. m. and at 7:45 p. m. Mr. Mae comes from the Cherokee tribe of American Indians. He became a Christian years ago and entered the missionary work, going to India. He is now traveling through the country, preaching on conditions in the East Indies. He is the father of twenty-eight children....St. Francis Court No. 10 held Palm Sunday exercises in their hall on Merchant street....Mr. George Browner, of Normal, Ill., is visiting friends in Decatur....Miss Zadie Smith and Miss Hazel Smith, of Springfield, are the guests of the Messrs. Blanton, on North Union street....Mr. W. Guthrie left the city Friday for Danville on business....Mrs. Julia Burrmell was called to Springfield by the illness of her sister, Mrs. E. Scott ....Mr. H. Shaw, who has been sick for the past week in St. Mary's Hospital, is slowly improving....Mrs. E. Jackson and Mrs. Jefferson Jackson are on the sick list....The Freeman can be had from Wm. Nickens, 1026 North Monroe street, Decatur, Ill.

DELHI, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

The baptizing at the First Baptist Church Sunday afternoon was well attended and much of a success. Nine converts were baptized. Rev. J. H. Jackson, of Cincinnati, presided. The visiting ministers were Rev. R. Neal, of Sikiton, and Rev. C. M. Thomas and Rev. J. T. Moore, of Cincinnati. The meeting was continuel all the day. At 3 o'clock the right hand of fellowship and communion was administered by Rev. J. H. Jackson. There were many visitors from Kentucky and Lawrenceburg, Ind. Many were guests at the commodious quarters of the residents of Delhi. The attendance was good ....Miss Bessie Graves and Mis [illegible] Hedges gave an ice cream s [illegible] day evening at the re [illegible] Graves. A neat sum [illegible] Mrs. Walton, living [illegible] was taken suddenl [illegible] but is some better.

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ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Allen J. French, Jr., has sold his dental laboratory to Patterson & Son., and is now installed at the head of one of their departments. This firm occupies two floors in the Ryan Annex Block. Mr. French was fortunate in taking his help with him, and he enjoys the distinction of being one of the highest salaried Negroes in the Twin Cities. He receives $2,000 per year. Our young people should take notice that it pays to be an erpert ...."The Rag Doll" drama that is to be given for the benefit of the Old Folks' Home has been postponed until May 19 ....The Gaines faction of U. B. F.'s & S. M. T.'s have just had a judgment granted in the District Court of St. Paul against W. F. Bledsoe, Past National Grand Treasurer, for principal and damages of $1,259.09. Mr. M. R. Perry, National Grand Secretary, of Pine Bluff, Ark., spent last week in St. Paul, the guest of Mr. J. H. Dillingham. Mr. Perry was very much delighted with his visit and the successful termination of the suit against Mr. Bledsoe....Rev. W. D. Carter arrived in the city last week. Rev. and Mrs. Carter entertained the Social and Literary Club at their home last Monday....The Palm Sunday service at St. James A. M. E. Church on last Sunday was one of the best attended services in St. Paul for a long time. Every person present was given a palm branch and was asked to join in the great wave service. This is the first time in the history of St. James Church that Palm Sunday has been celebrated in this manner. During the past week Passion Week has also been observed and different speakers had charge of the service each evening. Rev. H. S. Graves is to be commended upon introducing this high episcopal service into St. James. He stands out in bold relief as a man possessed with originality and genuine Christian fervor....Mr. J. Henry Burrell was removed from his home to St. Joseph Hospital....Mrs. Flora Williams was taken to the Hospital last week, suffering with appendicitis.... Mrs. Mary B. Hatcher presided at a mothers' meeting at St. James Church on last Monday afternoon. The meeting was full of interest and very well attended....Mr. Isaac Dennie spent last week in St. Paul....Mrs. Charlotte Jackson, mother of Mr. Andrew Jackson, died on March 16 and was buried from Pilgrim Baptist Church on last Friday afternoon ....Dr. J. M. Boddy spoke to the ladies of the Y. W. C. A. on last Sunday afternoon....Mr. G. B. Lowe, of the Lowe Picture Frame Company, has moved his establishment into the George E. Lennon Department Store, where he will be pleased to greet his old patrons. Mr. Lowe will be the first Negro to hold the position as head of any department in any store of that kind in the city....Hon. F. L. McGhee, our noted lawyer, some years ago purchased a farm in Polk county, Wisconsin. He has recently established a thoroughbred poultry farm on his place. Part of his farm will also be devoted to strawberry raising....Send your news into 27 Union Block by Saturday of each week or give them to Mr. Henry Crawford, the hustling agent. Tell your friends to get The Freeman regularly.
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TULSA, OKLA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Perry J. Johnson, one of Muskogee's prominent race horse owners, passed through en route to Muskogee....Williams and Moss, the leading stars at the Pekin Theater, are making good....The East End Cafe reports fine business for this season of the year——The Pekin Theater, the leading colored theater of the Southwest, reports fine business and is the most successful in the South.... Mr. Ed Brookins returned to Okhaloma City after a successful week at the Pekin Theater....Mrs. T. C. Wilson, of San Antonio, Texas, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Williams and father, F. R. Williams, Tulsa's leading grocer.... The Marquette Club's dance tomorrow evening is looked forward to with much pleasurable anticipation. It will no doubt be largely attended and it no end of fun is expected from the masquerading.... Mr. and Mrs. Jess Brown spent the afternoon in Muskogee visiting friends.... Mr. M. A. Sorrell, one of Boley's successful real estate men, purchased 100 acres of fine oil land east of Tulsa, Okla.

DES MOINES, IA.

Special to The Freeman:

Mrs. Wm. Jones, who has been ill, is able to be out again....Mr. Charles Mitchell died at his home on Southwest Sixth street last Friday evening. Interment was in Glendale Cemetery Sunday afternoon....The many friends of Mr. Oliver Rivers will be shocked to learn of his death, which took place in Ohio a few days ago. The body will arrive in the city Monday evening....Mr. Jerry L. Lucas entertained at his home last Sunday a few friends in honor of Mrs. Burnside, who left Wednesday for Los Angeles, Cal., to make her home....Mr. Arthur Brown left the city Wednesday evening for Atchison, Kans., to reside on a farm. His wife and son will join him later....Mr. Edward Comley, who has been visiting relatives for the past week, returned to his home in Minnesota Saturday evening. ....Mrs. Kenneth Hamilton, after spending several days in the city, returned to her home in St. Paul Saturday....A number of Mr. Arthur Brown's friends surprised him at his home on Tuesday evening. Conversation and cards were the principal features of the evening. A three-course luncheon was served....Mr. Henry Coleman, a Negro student of Cornell University, who won the State oratorical contest, and who will represent Iowa in the interstate oratorical contest at Omaha, Neb., will deliver his famous oration, "The Philosophy of the Race Problem," at the Corinthian Baptist Church, on next Friday evening.

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The Glee Club gave a [illegible] concert Monday night for the bene [illegible] the A. M. E. Church. The concert [illegible] witnessed by a very large audience, [illegible] nd all went away rejoicing and well pleased....Rev. E. L. Green, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, holds services at the Masonic Hall on the second and fourth Sundays in each month, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Green is trying to build, and asks the citizens to aid him in his efforts to build a new church. ....Mr. Philip Thomas left for Bessemer, Ala., to attend the funeral of Mrs. C. Gayle, his sister-in-law....Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Knowles have moved to their new home on East Nineteenth street....Mrs. Maria Pruett is very ill at this writing.... Mr. Ben Parham left the city for Memphis....Mr. Will Reed, an employe at the rolling mill, got four fingers cut off of his left hand, Wednesday, March 16....The Freeman will be on hand ever Saturday at Maddin & Allen's Pressing Shop, on Second street....Get meals at the Star Boarding House, where you will be served at all meal hours, on Second street, next door to Madden & Allen's Pressing Shop.

HON. WILLIAM T. VERNON

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humblest. He is, indeed, and in truth, a man of the people—"everybody's register of everybody's treasury."

It may be interesting to state that Mr. Vernon is not only the youngest colored man who has attained the position of Register of the Treasury, but no man, for the past fifty years, has attained this office at such an early age. Not yet forty years of age, his career promises even greater things for his race. His struggle from a one-room log cabin through the university, where he labored to pay his way, up through the front rank as an educator and church leader to the highest place held by the race in America, is an inspiring study for the young Negro who is sometimes disposed to view his prospects "as through a glass darkly" because of the numerous obstacles that confront him. The history of the Negro race will never be complete without the story of this man's rise.

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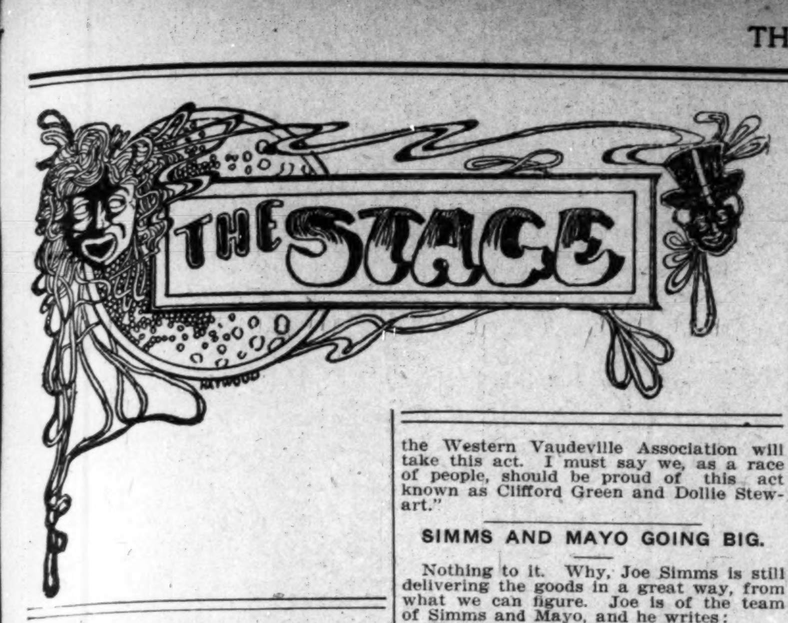

Additional Stage News on Page Six.

Bert Williams will appear at Hammerstein's the week of April 18.

Willie Richardson, the Mobile Kid, is making a big hit at the Belmont Street Theater at Pensacola.

The Arntes, Billy and Grace, the success of two continents, have sailed for America from London, England.

Willie Owens has just closed a three months' engagement at the Eldorado Theater, at Pensacola, and has joined the A. G. Allen Minstrels.

H. L. Rawles, of the Lowery-Morgan Minstrels, is spending the time at Washington, D. C., pending the opening of the Wallace-Hagenbeck Circus at Peru, Ind., April 23.

Sadie Pewee, of the team of Pewees, went through a serious operation at Cincinnati, O., and is getting along fine. She will rest this summer and resume work in the fall.

The Cubanola Trio, Alberta Pieper, Grace Hoyt and Laura Bailey, is meeting with much success at the Majestic Theater this week. Miss Bailey is owner and manager.

Jennie Gallie, of the Lowery-Morgan Minstrels of the past season, has been the guest of friends for several days at Indianapolis, leaving Monday for Denver, Col., to join the Sells-Floto Circus.

LaShe, the One, the Great, the Only, is now in Chicago, having opened at the Casino, with the Pekin to follow. He is singing "A Stalling Coon," and it has caught State street. Regards to all friends.

The Whitney Musical Comedy Company will again be known as Barton and Wiswell's Southern Smart Set Company, under the personal direction of S. H. Dudley, with T. L. Corwell as manager of the company. Their tour will extend through forty weeks, covering all the Southern States and the Pacific coast. S. Tutt Whitney and J. Homer Tutt will be responsible for the show. They promise a brand new George Washington Bullion.

The team of Porter and Russell have just closed a six weeks' engagement at the Olympic Theater, Charleston, S. C., and have now opened up in Atlanta, Ga., at the famous Pekin, and little Blanche Russell is taking the house by storm, singing "That Tantalizing Rag" and "That Chinatown Rag," and when she gets through with those two songs and her cute acrobatic dance, she leaves the boys throwing their hats to the top of the house. Porter puts on that comical song, "I'se Got a New Way to Walk Dat de Policeman Can't Catch On." They send best regards to friends in and out of the profession and would like to hear from Baby Seals and William Benbow.

Bradford and Bradford have closed a successful engagement at Norfolk. Va., Globe Theater. They opened Monday, March 14, at the Dixie Theater, Richmond, Va., and made a decided hit singing their own songs—"Savannah Jane," "Take Me Back to Dear Old Georgia, Where I'se Born," and Perry Bradford singing "When Jack Johnson Wins the Championship of the World," setting Richmond wild. Mrs. Venete Bradford sends regards to Sam Davis and Elizabeth Davis. Bradford sends regards to Slim Henderson, Prof. Mikel, Marion Brooks, and says where is Joe Brown and Single Billy Starks? This is our last week South. We open at the Orpheum, McKeesport, Pa., week of March 28. Lonnie Reed write, care of Orpheum Theater, McKeesport, Pa., week of the 28th; week of April 4, Auditorium, Johnstown, Pa.

IMPORTANT TO MEMBERS.

The constitution and by-laws of the C. V. B. A. have been issued. All members can secure same by sending twenty-five cents in postage stamps to C. V. B. A., 502 Sixth avenue, New York.

LEES ARE CLEVER PLAYERS.

About as clever and entertaining team of young girls as one ever gets to see, these days, on the stage, is that of the Misses Coveta and Ernestine Lee, who are playing with the Dixie Students. Their work now shows brightness and ability and gives promise of developing to clever stars.

PEKIN THEATER, TULSA, OKLA.

The Pekin Theater has three shows—main show, Tulsa Branch, Muskogee, and Oklahoma City. They are meeting with great success, booking acts for the entire circuit. Williams and Moss are the originators of the latest and most popular song hit, "Hoghead, Chicken and 'Possum." Brookens is the contortionist; Walton, slack wire walker; Miss Olivia Medcalf, soubrette; Miss Rosa Gibbs, pianist.

HARRY FIDLER GAINS WEIGHT WHILE ILL.

What do you think of a man gaining in weight while sick? Well, that is what Harry Fidler, of the Fidler and Shelton team, did while the boys were laying off on account of Harry's illness. And what is more, he gained three big pounds. When his manager was told of the fact he advised the famous two that it was best that they resume work directly, and they did.

WILL ATTEND SUMNER LEAGUE MINSTREL.

Fidler and Shelton have a few more weeks in the East, and will open the 18th of May on the Denver Orpheum Circuit, closing the week of the 17th of July at Chicago. They will pass through Indianapolis, en route West, to see the Sumner League Minstrel, as Mr. Shelton was the founder of same. After closing in Chicago they contemplate a trip to England, having received many good offers.

CROWDS SEE GOOD PLAY AT TAFT THEATER.

The show is good this week, and therefore splendid crowds attend. The opening skit, entitled "Mayor of Coontown," went big with Clarke and Davenport in the leading comedy roles. They got the applause and they deserved it. Mr. Tyalor got all he could out of his small part. The songs were very good, especially those Misses Robinson and Hopkins sang. Much of the laurels should be given Robert Taylor for producing such a successful play as "The Mayor of Coontown."

Robert Clark, Jr., Elmore Taylor and Jesse Palmer send regards to Eugene Clarke and bunch.

SAYS TAYLOR AND GREEN ARE TRUE ARTISTS.

Mr. Albert Smith, the well-known manager of the Edward Gaither theatrical interests, in speaking of a young team by the name of Green and Stewart—Clifford and Dollie—which appeared at the Gaither Theater, in Cincinnati, recently, said: "Green and Stewart are the biggest hit we have ever had in our house. With their singing and funny sayings they are on top. They have left our town in an uproar. It will only be a short time before the Western Vaudeville Association will take this act. I must say we, as a race of people, should be proud of this act known as Clifford Green and Dollie Stewart."

SIMMS AND MAYO GOING BIG.

Nothing to it. Why, Joe Simms is still delivering the goods in a great way, from what we can figure. Joe is of the team of Simms and Mayo, and he writes:

"We are busy now on the Metropolitan Circuit, in Illinois, doing nicely everywhere. When we close this time we expect to take some Western vaudeville association. Regards to Marion A. Brooks, Billie King and Earthquake."

By that we may hope to see the clever pair before long. Joe says he is going to take special interest in our campaign for 5,000 subscribers, and will start immediately. Bully for Joe, if he means it, and we think he does.

WHITNEY MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY.

The Whitney Musical Comedy Company is still making a hit in Indiana. It is conceded to be the most successful company in the State. S. Tutt Whitney and J. Homer Tutt were greeted Sunday by many of their friends from Logansport. Harry Brooks, Geo. C. Parker, Jim Turner and Bert Acres were among the many. Next week the Tutt Brothers will appear in their home town, Logansport. Their many friends, white and colored, are preparing to give them a royal reception. Mabel Brown is convalescing from a severe attack of la grippe. Miss Ethel Marshall, Miss Nettie Taylor, Miss Babe Brown and Hallie Dean made efficient understudies for the different shows.

THE RUBY THEATER, GALVESTON, TEXAS.

Everything is running nicely and everybody is well pleased with our new stage manager, Tom Hicks, who is sending them away nightly with smiling faces. That always pleasing comedy sketch team, the Centers, Geo. and Annie, are back and still holding their own. Marie Jackson, our singing soubrette, is still a card, and that old-timer, Edward L. Howard, of the team of the Merry Howards, the team that has the reputation of being the swellest dressed team that has ever played the State of Texas, is our straight man. All send regards to Chintz and Ella Moore, Poor Boy, Mable Johnston and Kegg. Also Ransom and Ransom, and Paul and Mamie Carter.

THE AUDITORIUM, AT PHILADELPHIA.

Business has begun to assume normal proportions, now that the great labor strike promises to be settled, and the nightly crowds are again thronging the Auditorium, as before the strike was declared. The box office was closed twice on Wednesday evening and three times on Saturday evening, and the S. R. O. sign makes nightly appearance at the entrance. So much for the character of the performances being given at this house. The week of March 14, the Skinners, Vernon and Emma, were held over to head the bill, and the great receptions they received attested their popularity. The supporting bill included Walter Emory, in a new character sketch, Adair Sisters, in a novelty singing act, and Miss Carrie White, in illustrated songs. For the week of March 21, Jeffery and Cole, a New York headline act, feature the bill, and are supported by the Seven Dancing Dolls, in an original musical treat, "School Days;" Robbins and Robbins, Frank and Bessie, in a black-face comedy sketch, and Arthur Jones, the instrumentalist.

THE GLOBE THEATER, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

We are still doing the business. Every member in the bunch is a winner in his or her line of work. Among the number are Williams and Shackelford, who are a scream from start to finish. Next is that sweet little singer, Miss Ray Nickels, whose voice is above the average, and she knows just how to use it. Watson and Watson have also scored a hit, singing "I'm Crazy 'bout the Girl that Wears the Mary Jane." Mr. Brown, of the famous Dixie Trio, the baritone, is still with us, and gets his. Last, but not least, comes our stage manager, Sam Davis, who receives great credit for his funny productions. Sam is a comedian that knows how to win the audience. He gets a scream as soon as he shows his head from behind the wings. He always leaves the ladies something to think and laugh over, and the boys something new to whistle. This week they are whistling Marion Cook's late song success, "Mammy's 'Lasses Candy Child." Sam is no more called "Sambo," but "'Lasses Candy Child." "That's All." Regards to Bradford and Bradford, Means and Williams. Would like to hear from them.

PEKIN THEATER AT SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.

This is the only colored place of amusement now open in Savannah, and is located at 625 West Broad street. The opening bill was a first-class musical comedy, "Jim Green's Tailor Shop." Our roster shows Jas. Crosby, featuring that beautiful song, "Jim-a-DeJeff." Also we have the Allens, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mr. Allen made an awful hit with his latest composition, "Tantalizing Brown." The Payne sisters are a big hit on the bill, singing "Glad I Met You" and "Spaghetti Row." The team of Johnson and Watts is still in the minds of all who have heard them. Mrs. Watts is a dream singing "Carissima" and "Tale of Woe." Baby Watts is—nuff said; takes three and four encores in "Bon Bon Buddie" and "The Chocolate Drops." Mr. Jas. De Costa, our phenomenal baritone singer, is numbered in the place of high talent. We also have Prof. John C. Heywood's orchestra, playing some of the latest selections. Prof. Heywood, leader, violinist; Mrs. Virginia Middleton, pianist; Mr. Wm. Brown, trap drummer; Mr. Samuel Middleton, cornetist; Mr. E. F. Davis, trombone. The bunch wishes to be remembered to all friends in and out of the profession. Mr. Jas. Crosby is stage manager; Mr. W. J. Stiles, manager, and Mr. Jas. E. Rogers, stage carpenter.

THE AIRDOME THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Joal & Watts, Proprietors and Managers.

The week of March 14 at the Airdome started all of Jacksonville to talking about the shows offered in this popular amusement resort. The two shows a night, with their popular prices, 10 and 20 cents, just hit the amusement seeker. The manner in which this house is managed proves that Mr. Joal is fast pushing to the front as a successful manager. The show offered this week has proved a winner. It opens with a forty-minute playlet by Marion A. Brooks, with Slim Henderson, supported by Miss Theresa Burroughs, Miss Viola Stewart, Miss Lena Wiggens, Messrs. Lew Kenner, John Lewis, Jack Wiggens and J. W. Ellis. Mr. Henderson extended himself in this funny little farce, and at the finish he and his supporting company took two clean curtain calls, something unknown in this house. Much can be said of Mr. Henderson's admirable support. Miss Burroughs, as his wife, proved herself still as being a clever handler of lines, and her conception of the part was of much assistance to Mr. Henderson's comedy. Miss Stewart, as the dainty housemaid, introduced a new character to the patrons of the Airdome, and will make many friends for her clever work in this part. This little Miss Stewart seems to have her work at heart, from the manner and pains with which she dresses her parts, and will soon grow popular. Oh, that Miss Wiggens! She is as useful in a playlet as she is to her partner, Jack, in their act. She is very pleasing. Messrs. Kenner and Lewis again showed their usefulness as the main support in this sketch, and in a small dramatic situation, which they interpolated, brought from the gallery gods a big round of applause. J. W. Ellis, who did the old man character last week so successfully, has again made good as the head of a rough gang about town. The second week of Wiggens and Wiggens has found them going bigger than the first week. They all thought Jack was through dancing, but the clever Jack was joking with them the first week, and Jack has the nerve to say that on his third and last week he will start to dancing. Look out, "Kid" Thomas, for your Buddy. Then came that awful Earthquake. Mr. Billy Earthquake closed the show again. This time with a purely local sketch, "In Oakland after Dark," by Marion Brooks. Oakland is a small colored settlement just out of Jacksonville, and the idea is built around to fit Mr. Earthquake, and he just simply "sits on it." Those who know his style of working can imagine how many pistol shots are fired, and somebody must be killed or badly beaten up. He is supported by Mr. Kenner and the entire company, and turns the show out screaming. Mr. Earthquake has created many bywords in Jacksonville, and they can be heard on the streets every day. Theodore Reading's orchestra of five pieces consists of the following: John Young, cornet; Ralph Redman, trombone; Joe White, drums; E. B. Dudley, violin; Theodore Reading, piano and leader. Mr. E. B. Dudley closes this week to take charge of the band and orchestra for Kersands' Big Minstrels, under canvas. He will be succeeded by Sam Foster, the violinist. Every one wishes Mr. Dudley success in his new enterprise. John Young sends regards to Eugene Clark and wife. Richard Mathews, of Chicago, Mose McQuitte, Mr. Everette and Dick Thomas, of New York, came in town this week for rehearsals with Kersands' shows.

ABOARD A. G. ALLEN'S PRIVATE CAR, "IDA MAY."

We are in Mississippi this week, and everybody is well. German White, acrobatic comedian, joined recently. He immediately joined hands with J. J. Perry, forming the team of White and Perry, doing a silence and fun turn, in which Mr. White holds the audience in spellbound amazement with his high jumping and clean somersaults. Then Mr. Perry starts the house applauding with his funny comedy. Robert Miller and Wm. (Tuba) Thomas made a uying trip to their respective homes, March 20, to visit friends. H. S. Smith is back, after a delightful trip to Savannah, Ga. Master Clifton Boyd (Kid Wood) continues to hold his own with his contortions, never failing to score. C. Adam La Rose is singing "My Little Kangaroo" with great success. G. B. Brooks, veteran E flat cornetist, wishes to be remembered to the profession. He still holds his own with his instrument. Chas. Laurendine, trap drummer, of Mobile, Ala., joined recently, and has proven himself a valuable acquirement. He sends regards to all friends. The Dixie Quartette, composed of Messrs. Philip Williams (first tenor), W. A. Dixon (second tenor), J. B. Norton (first bass) and Norris Grigsby (second bass), acquit themselves with great credit nightly, singing everything from classical to ragtime. The company send regards to B. F. Stevens and Joe Miller.

PEOPLE'S THEATER AT HOUSTON, TEXAS.

"The Georgia Honey Boy," Billy Henderson, is back again, knocking 'em out with his latest composition, "You Ain't Had No Fire in dat Stove To-day." A scream? Why, certainly. As the word implies, "Bill" knows what to do, and has a company of full-fledged performers, that are artists in their respective lines. There are Gussie Love, leading lady and characters; Agie Tansel, soubrette; Dotty Mobley, soprano; Baby Cleo, the little dancing idol and mascot; Hezekiah (Dude) Mobley, leading comedian; Frank Tansel, second comedian; Elbert White, baritone and assistant straight; Billy Henderson, "The Georgia Honey Boy," leading man and characters. The company this week is seen to advantage in the great dramatic success, "Railroad Jack," Billy Henderson in the title roll and Miss Gussie Love playing heavies. The Mobleys, as well as the Tansels and Elbert White, are just cleaning up. Prof. H. (Kid) Love, our popular piano king, with Geo. Williams, America's foremost and famous trap drummer, are more than holding their own in the orchestra pit. The company says hello to friends. Billy Henderson would like to hear from Wm. Benbow, The Temple bunch at New Orleans, The Exchange at Jacksonville, Fla., also Happy Howe and Daddy Billy Kersands. Address People's Theater, Houston, Tex., 211 Milam street.

WAYNE, PA.

Special to The Freeman.

On last Tuesday evening the Alpha Lyceum was visited by J. C. Price, of Philadelphia. A fine program was rendered to a large crowd, after which refreshments were served....Mr. Jay Hazel, of Pottstown, Pa., now residing here, is one of the A. L. able speakers....Mr. E. Mitchell gave a whist and stag party on Friday evening at his residence in honor of Wm. A. Taylor of Cranberry, N. J., at Mt. Pleasant....If you wish to learn something about your home read The Freeman—on sale every Saturday at Randolph's barber shop, Fairview Avenue, at Holly & Redmond's grocery store, Mt. Pleasant, or a card to J. H. Gardiner, Waynewood, will bring one to your residence, or subscribe. Best results from advertisements in this paper....Tally & Bell will soon open a new hotel and cafe ....Miss Annie Williams will soon have her cards out announcing a star concert at Union Hall....A grand concert and box social was given on Thursday evening, March 17, at Rev. J. H. Ringgold's, St. John's A. M. E. Church, under the management of Mrs. Long....The novelty ball at Union Hall, Thursday night, April 21, will be largely attended by the girls from Bryn Mawr, West Chester, Philadelphia, Pa., and Riverton, N. J.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to The Freeman.

The joint committee of K. of P. lodges has selected Fair Park Auditorium for the Thanksgiving exercises, which will be held there Sunday. Free seats and an excellent program will be rendered and every department of the order will be represented. The public will be provided with plenty of seats....Miss Lucile Banks, of this city, has joined her father in Chattanooga, Tenn., where she will reside in the future....Prof. K. W. Hardy will leave this city for Washington, D. C., with the intention of taking examinations to be in the future in Uncle Sam's service....Mr. William and D. W. Hardin were called to East Texas last Monday to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Bettie Hendricks. The many friends here are in deep sympathy with the bereaved ones in their sad hours....The remains of Lonnie Scott were laid to rest in Temple, Texas, after a short illness....The Freeman representative found subscribers in the parlors of the Lasso Club and was shown through the Booth section by Secretary Wm. Debron and President E. G. Williams at the Texas Social. We found the manager too busy improving new boxes and generally overhauling everywhere to better accommodate the comers and goers....At the Guess Who James and Lane were as busy as bees looking after the installing of new mission furniture, easy chairs, more new books and two statutes of Richard Allen and Dr. Booker T. Washington, in the library so that the members can be better accommodated in the future. So if you live in the confines of the great metropolis of the West and visit Dallas, get busy, take out a membership and visit some while making your rounds. You will see Jo Jo, Tangle Eye Ogle, Froncil Louie, Dillingham, Mack Lane, Davie and others of the jolly times, so be on your way to the clubs....The local talent in Dallas is comparing very favorably with that to be found anywhere in the country and everybody should be proud of it. The young people at Mt. Rose, St. John, New Hope, Macedonia, Gallilee, Free Will, St. James, Eauening Chapel, St. Paul, Bethel and Congregational churches, who appear in the various programs from time to time are making progress in the right way for the race and a deserving people.

CHICAGO, ILL.

Special to The Freeman:

Mrs. Lillian Wilson left the city Tuesday en route to Olivet, Tenn., to visit her mother, who is ill with pneumonia....Miss Mae Coleman has been ill at her home for the past week and it is the sincere desire of her friends that she will be able to resume her former sphere....The funeral services of Mr. Albert McIntosh were held at Quinn Chapel Saturday, March 19, and were largely attended. His sister, Mrs. Dempsey, just buried her husband, Mr. D. J. Dempsey, who has been a mail carried for a number of years, on Wednesday previous. It is thought by the friends of Mrs. Dempsey that she bears up well under the strain....Hon. W. T. Vernon passed through the city and was warmly greeted by all who knew him. He was en route to Kansas to visit relatives....A goodly number of our colored citizens of Chicago are moving out to Blue Island, Ill. Many have bought land and completed their homes and are getting along nicely. The vicinity is growing rapidly and bide fair to become one of the leading suburban colored villages ....Rev. Vivart, of Massachusetts, gave quite an interesting lecture on temperance at Zion Church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. He pointed out many evils that come of the drink curse and showed in many ways how the millions of dollars spent for this drink could so comfortably supply many families with the necessities of life....Mr. and Mrs. Day, 3531 Dearborn street, are contemplating purchasing a home, and hope in the very near future to be comfortably settled therein ....The musicale given at the piano store of Frank L. Gale & Co., Friday evening, March 18, was largely attended as was anticipated. The program rendered was extraordinary and every one seemed to be pleased and in high spirits. There were also on display many beautiful pianos, phonographs, organs, etc....The Bishop G. L. Blackwell, of Zion A. M. E. Church, will preach a noble sermon on Wednesday evening, March 23, at which time the revival choir will sing. On Thursday evening a banquet will be tendered in his honor. Among the guests will be Rev. G. B. Shaw, Bishop Blackwell, Rev. Colbert and wife and others....Mrs. Ida Bell, of Clarksville, Tenn., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Maweathers, at 1152 East 47th street, will be given an Easter breakfast, March 28, by her many friends at the home of Mrs. Dannie Raynor, 2950 State street. Mrs. Bell will leave Sunday night for Seattle, Wash., where she will spend three weeks visiting relatives, then go to Winnipeg, Mann., for the summer.

VALDOSTA, GA.

Special to The Freeman.

Misses Gertrude and Onorhene Walton entertained last Wednesday evening at 8:30 at their home on South Patterson street, in honor of Miss Pearl Marshall, of Savannah. In the midst of this entertainment solos, both vocal and instrumental, were rendered by some of those who attended. About twenty-five guests were present, this being one of the loveliest events of the season. A collation was served....Miss Marshall was also entertained by Miss Susie Duncan at her home on North Johnson street, at 6:30 Sunday evening, there being about fifteen present....The table was beautifully decorated with palms and lillies....Miss Beulah Brown entertained Miss Marshall at her cozy home on Jackson street Monday evening at 7:00. A considerable crowd was present and all were highly entertained....Mrs. Range, of Savannah avenue, also entertained Miss Marshall Sunday afternoon. She left the city Wednesday afternoon for Bainbridge to visit relatives and friends, after which she will return to her home in Savannah....Mrs. E. L. Morton, of Brunswick, spent last week in the city....After having spent six or eight months in Atlanta, Macon, West Point and La Grange, Mr. C. W. Thomas, the well-known barber, has returned to the city and resumed his duty ....Mr. Arthur Duncan has returned to the city after having spent two months in Atlanta and West Point....The Phyllis Wheatley Club gave an entertainment at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church Thursday night for the benefit of erecting a home for the aged in Valdosta....Dr. M. H. Cobb has left Valdosta for Quitman to practice in that city.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CAN.

Special to The Freeman.

C. W. Thompson arrived last week from Wainwright, and intends making his home in this city....B. F. Jones, of Lashburn, Saskatchewan, was in the city last week visiting his nephew, Arthur Jones....Mr. Miller, of Winnipeg, was in the city last week, running in Mr. Grant's place on the Canadian Northern, Mr. Grant being sick in bed, but is much better at this writing....Prof. Jones, recently from Clarview, Okla., left last week for Morinville on a business trip....Edward Jones, who was found last week in a pool of water, from a collapse, and was removed to the Misercordia Hospital, where he was treated by Dr. J. R. L. Christian, is able to be about now....S. B. Kirk was in from his homestead last week.... Mr. Green, of Winnipeg, was in the city last week....The "Alberta Red," a new monthly magazine of Alberta, and published in this city, made its first appearance last month....Arthur Golden was in the city for about a week from his homestead at Jarrow on business and to visit his mother and brother....Miss Anna Paris, of Calgary, arrived last week and expects to make her home here.... Z. W. Mitchell has purchased a new ten-room house at 547 Sutherland street, and has moved in same....It has been rumored that Mr. and Mrs. Shackleford, of Winnipeg, are to move to Edmonton.... Perhaps the largest funeral that Edmonton has ever had occurred last week, being the funeral of the late Mr. Morris, who was engaged in real estate business in this city for a number of years back. He carried insurance totaling $33,000.... Mrs. Pierson is much better at this writing and is expected to be out of the hospital in a few days....Leave all news matter, advertisements, subscriptions, changes of address, or any complaint of not receiving The Freeman, etc., with Clifford C. Mitchell, the Edmonton correspondent. Call at 240 Jasper Avenue East. Phone 1637, or address P. O. Box 845.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. John Hays, who resides near the Big Bayou, received a very painful wound last Saturday, which caused him to lose two of his fingers by an accidental discharge of a shotgun....Miss Katie Ely left last Sunday for Mobile, after spending a very pleasant stay here with friends ....Mr. Robert Taylor, of New York, is a business visitor to the city this week and is shaking hands with his numerous old friends....A meeting of the Pensacola Business League will be held Monday, March 21, and plans to entertain the State Business League, which meets here in July, will be discussed....The Escambia County teachers held a meeting at Mount Zion Baptist Church last Monday night, which was very interesting. A program was rendered. President A. L. Birksey presided and those that attended are very much pleased with the work of the teachers....A meeting of the Evening Entertainers was held last Wednesday night and plans were made to entertain their friends on the 30th with an Easter entertainment at the K. of P. Hall. This club is one of the newly organized clubs, and only those that present their invitations at the door are admitted....The banquet given by the Court of Alanthes last Wednesday night in honor of Mrs. L. B. Reed, of Jacksonville, Fla., was well attended and a delightful time was enjoyed....The Pensaloca High and the Pensacola Normal met last Friday afternoon in an interesting game of baseball. The high school was defeated by a score of 3 to 2. At the end of six innings the umpire declared the game forfeited in favor of the Normals on account of the refusal of the Captain of the High School team to return to the field after a long argument for the reversal of a decision.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

The $9,000 building, the gift in part of Maj. A. C. Rosencranz, to the colored Y. M. C. A., is being renovated and put into superb condition for successful work along religious, gymnastic, literary and musical lines. The chairman of the board of management, M. A. Davis, of the Clark High School faculty, is leaving no stone unturned to increase the membership and make the work a new life to greater Evansville....Rev. R. J. M. Long, presiding elder of the Evansville District A. M. E. Church Conference of Indiana, was in the city Saturday on business.... Rev. J. F. Pettiford, of the Fifth Street A. M. E. Church, preached at Mt. Vernon Sunday afternoon, and the Rev. Casey officiated Sunday night at Fifth Street. Rev. Harrison is conducting a successful revival at Liberty Baptist Church....The Hon. W. A. Gaines is in the city looking after his business interests here. The city is proud of its distinguished visitor, whose able address at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday before last will be long remembered....Rev. W. H. Anderson celebrated his fortieth anniversary in the work of the gospel on Sunday, the 13th. From the testimonials of those who knew him and lived and associated with him, we glean that his entire life has been one of service to God and to his fellow man, and that he is held in high esteem by all. The personnel of the new board of management of the Y. M. C. A. is as follows: M. A. Davis, Prof. J. D. Cox, Prof. P. T. Miller, Lawyer Wilson, H. D. Smith, Dr. J. J. Jackson, Dr. G. W. Buckner, J. T. Roberts, J. W. Waddy, Jas. G. Green, J. Wesley Baker and Dennis Powell. The above body solicits the membership of every Negro in the city for the Association.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Special to The Freeman.

One of the happy society events of the past week was the wedding of Mrs. Hamilton James, the popular bass soloist of Union Memorial choir, and Miss Una Hazel McKinney....Miss Hallie R. Brown appears this week at St. Paul A. M. E. Church....Prof. E. W. Newsome's lecture before Quinn Chapel Christian Endeavor Society Sunday evening was very much appreciated....The Swastika Club, of Union Memorial Church, is preparing for a grand drama on April 1....Rev. Parker, of Pleasant Green Baptist Church, is having much success in his revival efforts and is planning for a big baptizing in the Mississippi river on Easter Sunday....Mrs. Mollie Gray has returned home after a visit to relatives in Cape Girardeau....Mr. Noah Clark, our popular florist, is meeting with much success ....Miss Mattie Jenkins, one of our city school teachers, is quite ill....A grand concert and military drill contest was given Monday night at Douglass Hall for the benefit of Lane Tabernacle building fund....The Methodist Brotherhood Club of Union Memorial Church is preparing to give Rev. Abbott, the pastor, and District Superintendent Gillum a grand reception....The Knight Templars will have their annual sermon Easter Sunday at the Masonic Temple.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

Dr. C. A. Kelly spent Sunday, March 20, in Nashville, Tenn....Miss Lucy Broadie was married to Mr. Alex Judkins, Sunday, March 20....Mr. Manuel Wisdom is quite ill at his home on High street....Mr. Claton Cross is very ill.... St. Mary Chapel celebrated Palm Sunday, March 20. A very large crowd was present. They also gave an entertainment Monday night, March 21, which was very much enjoyed....Miss Alice Perry was brought here from St. Louis Tuesday, March 15, and buried.

ADDINGTON, OHIO.

Palm Sunday was well conducted at the Second Baptist Church Sunday evening. The pastor, Rev. S. D. Saunders, made an able address on the subject "And Palms in Their Hands." Mrs. E. L. Boyer and Mrs. Martha Davis sang several beautiful selections amid the waving of palms, which were well received. The day was an ideal one and the attendance was good. The revival will continue for an indefinite period. Much good has been accomplished along that line. Rev. J. P. Moore, of Cincinnati, has been assisting in the meetings....The Freeman agent desires to have all news items left at the most convenient places and the same will receive prompt attention. Do not fail.... Quite a number from here attended the baptizing at Delhi Sunday.

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WHANGDOODLE COMEDY FOUR—Haverhill, Mass., week of March 28.

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FROM OVER THE FOOTLIGHTS.

There is much that can be said of the life of J. Ed Green that is worthy of mention at all times. While he may not always have been original in his playwrighting efforts, there was much evidence that he was a genius. He had his peculiarities and he had his weaknesses, but he was not without ability. He was born to lead in his profession and he did so. He knew the stage better than anything else, and therefore he succeeded in his chosen work. While he may have borrowed a few lines or scenes from others for his plays, it could have been that the same ideas that struck others writers came to him at the self same time. The war scene in "Captain Rufus" could have been just as original with Mr. Green as with Cole & Johnson and their "Shoo-Fly Regiment." Passing that, no one will say that the late Mr. Green was not the real Belasco of the race when it came to stage directing, training, acting, etc. In fact, he was a great actor himself when it came to classic comedy roles. He was a John Drew in this art. Personally, we found him to be a determined, forceful man, one who made every effort to get the most out of life. He was serious and yet he was of a jolly disposition. He found his laughter and he met his sorrows cheerfully. He was a strength to the race.

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Mabel Brown, with the Whitney Musical Comedy Company, now filling the vacancy left open by the leading lady, Miss Daisy Peters Martin, loves to be as pleasing as she possibly can, so far as conversation goes. First, she likes to tell you all about the motives of our great stars and then she likes to tell you what her future ambition is, and she wants you to tell her what you think of her. Do you think she has a good voice? Does she dance well enough? Finally, should she continue her career? While you are looking down into her large brown eyes, they look so beautiful they make you say, "I know you are going to clean up everything and become the whole 'milky way' of stars." She likes to praise you and depict your future in great array. She shows you that she is very earnest in everything she says and does. Just now Miss Brown is beginning to twinkle like sure-for-certain stars do, and some day she will certainly make it, and that day cannot be very far off.

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Tenor singers are not very plentiful these days. When theatrical managers of judgment hear of a good singer who is at liberty they lose no time in obtaining him, paying little heed to high salaries that are demanded. Here in Indianapolis we have a young man, Mr. Russell Smith, 602 West Eleventh street, who has a fine voice. What is more, Mr. Smith since discovering that he could sing set about securing a good musical education at the hands of one of the most gifted vocal teachers in the West. He is now finishing up his studies and is developing into one of the best soloists that the music critics in these parts have ever heard. He has one of the most spirited, animating way of rendering a song that I have ever heard. Mr. Smith resorts to the mellow, celor-tone effect to arouse his audience. He does not fear to let you know what he is singing about and he makes a deep impression by using tender expressions in his voice when coming to grace notes, slurs and minor chords. Fact is, you feel like slapping him on the back then. It is possible that he may create a great stir in musical circles before many moons. I have heard that he is being sought by several of our big road shows, especially Cole & Johnson, for next season. But it is not known whether Mr. Smith will accept the offer. However, I will say that he would make an excellent singer in any high-class musical organization. Music seems to be his life and all. You find it an impossibility to not rate him as one of the best lyric tenors living.

COMEDIAN OF TEXAS BIRTH

S. H. Dudley Will Promote Three Show Companies.

By Cary B. Lewis.

The Lone Star State little over thirty years ago gave birth to two babes of the Negro race, and today they are known throughout America.

One by his constant training, science, physical endurance and ability to knock out his opponents in the prize ring, has become the greatest prize fighter of the age and holds the world's championship.

The other by his natural ability, keenness of wit, insight into human nature, drollness of action, success as a comedian, has become king of funmakers. One is Johnson and the other S. H. Dudley.

One with his mighty right and heavy left has sent his opponents falling to the ringside, giving his race the everlasting credit of producing the greatest fistic warrier the world has ever seen.

The other has traveled from ocean to ocean, from the gulf to the lakes, causing theatre-goers to scream with laugther and be pronounced by managers, press and people as the premier comedian of the day.

Both have been fond of athletic sports and outdoor exercises. While one liked to battle with his fists, the other liked to spur a steed on to victory. They loved the open air and sunshine, and this in many respects accounts for their good health.

Mr. Dudley's ambition has been to supervise and promote a number of colored shows, feeling that as a comedian he has pleased the public for so many years himself, he would become naturally a better judge of public demands in the way of amusement than any other manager, and therefore conscious of his ability to direct and draw out the best that is in others, he is anxious to see the leading colored companies raised to the highest possible standard of efficiency.

In this fond desire of his, he has received the highest encouragement from Messrs. Barton and Wiswell, Stair, Haverlin and Nicoli and a number of others, who are financing other similar amusement companies that are making the various circuits.

Mr. Dudley is one great comedian who loves to see those beneath him rise above him—a man utterly without envy, who smoothes but never obstructs the pathway of others to fame and fortune.

He has undertaken in his humble way the highest development of the best talent in his race. Conscious of his own talents, feeling that his place is secure in the public estimation, he concedes the superiority of those above him and beckons those beneath him to come upward on higher ground.

In a fair criticism of any one's life, one should not only disclose his merits, but we should also lay bear his faults and his follies. Having known him for a number of years, we can say his vices are only the shadows that his virtues cast, and he is known throughout the professional world, both white and colored, as "an honest man who hates the slime that sticks to filthy deeds."

The creed of his life is that happiness is the aim and end of human existence, and that he is the happiest man who makes other people happy, and hence he views events that transpire under his observation from the human side, noting incongruity and blotting out every solemnity, hoping to make "dimples enough in the cheeks of the world to catch and hold and glorify all tears of grief."

The stage has ever been a civilizing and elevating influence among the people in the world, and no agency in our civilization has done as much to present to the colored race its weaknesses, follies and its faults, and pointed the way to higher and better things, than that noble army of actors, many who have gone beyond the Great Divide, to show the Negro how others see him, and enable him to have self-consciousness that begets habits of introspection which lead to nobler deeds. Among the galaxy of stars of the first magnitude is S. H. Dudley.

He was born of humble parentage at the capital of Texas. He became a student of men and affairs. There was nothing in his hime town that attracted his attention or enlisted his interest but athletic sports and outdoor exercise. He became enamored with the exileration that goes with race riding and at the first State Fair he was given a mount. He piloted Moonlight to victory, the first race he ever rode. In his operations upon the turf he became acquainted with a man who, appreciating his wit, induced him to join a medicne show held on the street corners, and he sang a song entitled "Dese Bones Shall Rise Again" with such effect and spirit that many of the people thought him inspired.

This flattering success made him feel that his talent demanded a wider field than a medicine wagon; therefore he joined a company—was billed for a stump speech which was met with hilarious roars of laughter whenever delivered.

Subsequent to that he was in demand in variety shows and at music halls. It was then that Dudley and Andrews' Ideal Minstrels was started, which ran for four weeks of wild-cat starring and barnstorming, and then became stranded. The company disbanded with a base drum and a Jew's harp. Defeated and undaunted, crushed but not conquered, he proceeded at once to organize the Dudley Georgia Minstrels, which interested a number of substantial citizens of Galveston to furnish the capital. The next we hear of him is with P. T. Wright's Nashville Students, and afterwards he went into vaudeville with the famous Tom McIntosh, heading the "Hot Old Time in Dixie." With Sam J. Corker, Jr., he joined the Clorinda Company and toured the Eastern and Middle Atlantic States. The next year he was crowned "King Rastus" in an all-star cast, which was the greatest colored aggregation of the age.

Seemingly success in life is not met without the encouragement and advice of a woman. The real substantial rise of Mr. Dudley was when he joined with Miss Bertie Ormes, who became his wife. They worked together, with Dudley singing that one-time famous song "Good Morning, Carrie."

He worked with Billy Kersands and for two seasons took out this company himself and made it a success where others failed.

In 1895, with Mrs. Dudley, he launched the "Smart Set." For six years the aggregation has been on the road and has met with success. Today he is playing "His Honor the Barber." It is the best show he has ever headed.

Today Mr. Dudley is planning for two other colored shows for next season. On account of his shrewd ability and keen insight into the business side of the theatrical profession, his friends predict for him great success.

S. H. DUDLEY.

The pride of his life is his wife and son. Mrs. Dudley travels with the show, taking a principal part in the company. Sherman Jr. is in Chicago in the public schools.

Some people claim that Mr. Dudley should cease using burnt cork. They seem to forget that it is the aim of the play to show the wit and humor of this sort of Negro, and on the stage at the same time there are forty others who are refined, cultured and dignified actors. Without this kind of wit and humor, there would be no Williams, Dudley, Cole or Steward, and colored actors could never reach the footlights.

While Mr. Dudley is busy arranging business matters for the next season's shows, he is also planning to have a special car to run out to the Jeffries-Johnson prize fight. From all indications he will have forty or fifty well-known people to accompany him on the trip. It is Mr. Jack Johnson's desire that Mr. Dudley be at the ringside during the coming great contest. It is our hope and fondest wish that one continues the victor in the ring and the other the victor on the stage.

LOWERY SHOW DOPE.

Oh, you Lowery!

Maybe Charley Beechum ain't comin'!

Fred Garland does the gentleman act in a highly appreciative way as interlocutor.

Didn't Hattie Garland give you some voice? Abbie Mitchell can't beat it.

Tony Barefield is the goods when it comes to going down deep in the sea.

Carrie Gilbert won everybody by looking good to everybody.

Isn't Blanche Beechum the card? She can interest other Charlies.

Those May boys are to be watched.

As his name implies, he believes in getting in good Kitchens.

H. L. Rawles says, "Let me get next to the best Mozart has. Although I am a little bald, I am not old by any means. Well, you see, I am delivering the goods in every respect.—Junk.

Wood Knox, Simmons and George Slaughter are the goods.—Morgan.

THE GALLERY GOD SEES THE CHOCOLATE DROPS.

Some few nights ago I wended my way to the Colonial Theatre, one of the new houses of the trans-continental chain of vaudeville playhouses that is booked by William Morris, where I had the pleasure of witnessing King and Bailey and the "Chocolate Drops" after a weary climb of many steps to the "seat of the mighty."

In these days and times it is surely a hard proposition to single out a colored act that can, in any way, compare with the "Chocolate Drops" and King & Bailey in harmony of the title, with dress, acting, dancing and singing. Everything seems to fit so neatly that one wonders whether each belonging was made for the purpose it so well serves. A sort of electric shock took possession of me when the curtain arose on this act that held me until the finish. Try as I would to rest my eyes from the dazzle that came before me as those four beautiful "Chocolate Drops" came on in the beginning, but I found it impossible, because I was seeing and hearing something new. They were artists as I figured, and I figured right. They sang like people who are said to have just finished a musical education at Berlin or Paris, although the compositions were light and airy.

One must congratulate these four ladies on their excellent education in stage business, for they are just wonderful in their every move. They do not shout at any time, but rather resort to a mellow tone of voice. Unlike most colored acts, you find them particularly out of the ranks of noisy, yelling, "family circle" artists. Just what I had been looking for for many moons was to see some of our women in vaudeville who could really dance. Here is a quartet of women who can dance in a sure-for-certain way. That is, they can do other things besides the "pigeon wing" stunt. They won applause for their dancing by introducing new steps and getting away with light, artistic footwork that showed much cleverness. I was nearly out of my seat or bench when then had finished and was too far gone to pat for an encore. For the first time, so far as I can remember, that I sat in a theater and saw four women of the race dance so that I felt like shouting "Hip, hip, hooray!" just for the reason that they had left the "old mammy" and "South befo' de wah" style of dance that is so evident in many of our acts of today.

When King & Bailey put in their appearance it seemed to me that they had come upon the stage with nothing in their minds except to entertain. It seemed that they had made an agreement before coming on to "Let's go out there and enjoy ourselves and make others do the same, because I feel good tonight and I know you are just ready, partner." So on they came and you could just see it in them from the start, bubbling over with laughter and good music. Fact is, they brought us back to the days of Williams & Walker, excepting that originality escaped at nearly every turn they made.

Really here is a team that has reached the top in about a half dozen years, and it has always been done by merit. They had not been here in four or five years, and I could see that they had advanced greatly on account of their superior methods. They attained their position on the stage by originality of style in dress, wit and humor, song and story, and have continued to do so, stearing clear of the stand-still idea at all times. They both have voices that are very good and they use them in an effective way. Both are clever and are born actors. King sees fit to relie upon his wit as well as his facial expressions for creating laughter, but at no time does he do contortion acts with his lips to further his purpose. When singing he reminds one slightly of Dudley in his jestures, but he is more "King of them all" than anything else and with pleasure for it, too. I saw in King the actor who is going to top the long, long line in musical comedy.

Bailey, the Beau Brummel pure and simple, is on the very limited list of shapely dandies of the Negro stage world. His style of acting, along with his tuneful voice, is ever to be a hit on every bill. Like his prototype, George W. Walker, you will find him at his best in any performance. But costume can not make the actor as it might the actress, and Mr. Bailey seems to have realized this long ago. For you find him nimble on his feet, engaging in his every move, and clever and exact in his speech. King and Bailey took down the house when they sang "You'll Have to Wait Until Tomorrow." Although the song itself was on the shelving order, the manner in which it was rendered showed their ability as comedians. As one writer has stated, this team is due to attract the attention of some big theatrical firm and the next thing the stage world will hear of will be that King & Bailey are heading a big musical comedy and scoring a great success.

MARSH.

CHICAGO'S GREAT ALDERMATIC ELECTION.

The Second ward of Cook county affords more political news than all the other wards in the county combined. Four candidates, three white and one colored, are out for alderman.

This battle means more than a little alderman office; it means by victory the fall of one man and the ruling power of another. In the general mix-up the Second may be represented by a Democrat.

The contestants are: Hon. E. H. Wright, one of the Black Power in political Independent Republican circles; John H. Montgomery, Democrat; Wilson Shufelt, Republican; Ed. C. Wentworth, Independent.

As the situation now stands no one can tell what the outcome will be. The battle was started at the convention Monday night, March 8. It is now on to the finish—three multi-millionaires, one colored man, and one popular druggist. It may be said that the fight is between Thomas Dixon, the present alderman, and the whirlwind politician, Chauncy Dewey, who dethroned Mr. Dixon in open convention and nominated Wilson Shufelt. Ed. H. Wright, who is a personal friend of Mr. Dixon, did not like the way his friend had been thrown down, and he created another uproar in the convention by announcing that he would run himself on the Independent Republican ticket. When Mr. Dixon heard this news he sent Ed. H. Wright word to run to the finish, and that he would finance his campaign. But this was not all. At the eleventh hour Ed. C. Wentworth, the millionaire real estate man, announced his candidacy.

This last move turned things upside down, as the question was raised regarding whom his candidacy will hurt or help, for the more Republicans or Independent tickets in the field the stronger it is for the Democratic. Heretofore it would have ben a joke, but things have an entirely different look today, as the candidate on the Democratic ticket is very popular and will poll the entire Democratic vote and many colored votes.

The Second ward has 11,000 votes—6,500 whites and 4,500 colored votes; but registration will show 30 per cent. improvement over the past registration. Interest alone will pull it up to a big increase. There is nothing to chose between the different candidates. It's a matter of money. Ed. H. Wright, the colored candidate, places his reliance on the Independent colored vote that does not depend upon politics or politicians for anything, and a good many of the Thomas Dixon white following. Wilson Shufelt, the regular Republican candidate and the Dewey man, will poll the officeholders and the standpatters. E. C. Wentworth is the question mark in the campaign. With a barrel of money and good representation, nobody seems to know what he will do next.

John H. Montgomery, the Democratic candidate, who has loomed up as a dangerous man, is considered a poor man and will have to depend upon his popularity and dyed-in-the-wool Democrats.

Everybody in Chicago is looking on the Second ward for more excitement than was ever offered in an alderman election before. The man of the hour is Chauncy Dewey, the young Texas millionaire, who has made good. Should he force his candidate through in this battle, it will put him the beyond ruling power in the Republican party in the State of Illinois, much less Cook county.

Every daily paper in Chicago is up in the air. Everybody is waiting until after registration. The beauty of this battle is that no outsiders will be allowed to interfere financially or advisably.

TYLER, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Hattie Biggs, an old academic student of East Texas Academy, is at her home, five miles east of the city, very sick. ....Prof. E. S. Benson, the principal of Winona High School, is doing the real work this year. He has succeeded in building a new school house, and is at the same time raising the educational standard of the Winona community. The students and patrons are proud of him.... Mr. George Wilson is one of the most successful barbers of Tyler. Mr. Wilson has a large trade here as a barber, and the people of Tyler are proud of his being in their midst....Mr. Charles Butler, an academic student of East Texas Academy, is having things his way as a Latin scholar. He is known among his classmates as Old Man Latin....Rev. R. L. Lyons preached a soul-stirring sermon at Pleasant Grove last Sunday. It was a spiritual treat to all who heard it. The Pleasant Grove people are proud of him.

ELVIS "SLIM" MASON.

P. G. LOWERY AND MORGAN'S MIGHTY MINISTRELS INVADE THE CITY.

After playing the smaller towns and villages, the well-known Lowery-Morgan Mighty Minstrels invaded this city, the capital of Indiana, and caused the business men of the city to announce a holiday for their employes, and allowing all those who appreciate clever acting and beautiful voices go and see and hear the Lowery & Morgan Minstrels.

Monday of this week was a gala day for the P. G. Lowery & Morgan's Minstrels, for they attracted the city's population of both colors. Prof. P. G. Lowery got his men into line for a street parade at 10:50 a. m. Everybody stopped in the midst of their daily toil to listen to that great band led by Prof. Lowery. At the head of the parade was Mr. Elwood C. Knox, accompanied by one of the representatives of the management, in a decorated carriage. A halt was made at The Freeman office, where a band concert was given, which was enjoyed by over a thousand people.

The parade of the minstrels was to the city what Barnum & Bailey's parade is to the largest city in the West. Everybody turned out, despite the cloudy, cold weather. The performances were given at Tomlinson Hall.

As a critic of the very important performance, I sat down to see a good, clean performance of minstrelsy, and truly I saw one that was up to my expectations. Messrs. Lowery and Anatole Victor opened up the performance with a telling cleverness of musical talent in operatic tones. The talent of Mr. Victor as a leading violinist, was at once established, and the audience did not refuse to give him and his selection of musicians a great amount of applause. What struck the sightseer forcibly was the way in which the company went through their opening chorus in a very "stagy" manner. Junk Edwards, Slim Mason, Logan Kitchen and Charles Beechum handled the end seats in a very creditable way. This is a quartet that is bound to win in every way that is plausible, in a humorous way, to the American theater going public. What struck the audience in a vital way was the effort to entertain that the Beechums—Charles and Blanche—tried to make and did not fall short throughout the performance in their aim. Fred Garland began as a real performer that showed up throughout the evening. When Toney Barefield sang "Down in the Deep Let Me Sleep" there was every one to applaud because he delivered the goods. Not because of this city being her home town that the critical public saw fit to praise Mrs. Hattie Garland, but that found art in a real artist. The rendition of Miss Jennie Gallie and Miss Carrie Gilbert were clever. What surprised every one to a great valuations was the soubrette work of Miss Carrie Gilbert. She was a hit at once, not because of her pleasing and becoming costumes, but for her versatility as a fifteen in the minutes actress. Everybody thought her an angel in her every move in her Anna Held costumes.

Hattie Garland has a sweet, strong voice so good that anybody would ever be glad to hear of. We will not say anything of Blanche Beechum, as she is well known in every section of the country. Really, the first part was entertaining but not anything near up to expectations. There was an afterpiece in which the whole company entertained in classic style. The Beechums and the Garlands and a greater part of the company gave the audience splendid "joy moments" in this original act of fundom, and they won the approval of all after the end had been reached. We saw some weakness in the performance and I've seen a performance that was meritorious. In fact, the performance was entertaining throughout.

Mr. Lowery proved himself to be, as he is said to be by the press, "the world's wonder" as an extraordinary classical soloist on the cornet. He received the hand clapping of over five hundred thorough critics of music. We were glad to see Miss Carrie Gilbert make her debut as a top-notch comedienne of high marked ability. Her costumes and her singing of "Honey Gal" was worth the price of admission. Miss Gilbert is destined to make another Aida Overton Walker if she receives proper training. She is pretty and delightful in her every move. Every time she appeared on the stage Monday night she brought down the house.

What put great life into the performance was the well-written sketch of "Jack Johnson's Return," by Logan Kitchen and Slim Mason. This is an afterpiece that will make good in any theatre before any audience in the country. People laughed until tears fell, over the cleverness of Slim Mason, the bright boy of Louisville, Ky., and Logan Kitchen of Kansas City, Mo., because of their natural ability to create funny situations and "dying laughter" in their "some class" comedy. Junk Edwards, the funniest little man alive, was an important character in this sketch because he did enough to make everybody laugh at every time he appeared on the stage.

The sketch of "Jack Johnson's Return" has to do with two tramps going to a small town and passing themselves off as Jack Johnson, the prizefighter, and Bill Delaney, the trainer. Mr. Johnson is of the illiterate class and therefore neds a great deal of assistance from Bill Delaney. Delaney entices Johnson to Bill Roberts' saloon, 440 Indiana avenue, this city, where there is a possibility of both getting something to eat, but they fail. However, they wind up in a sporting lodging house, where they are known as "Johnson and his trainer," and are given every courtesy. When they are in the height of their glory a clever boxer appears, who challenges champion Johnson. Where the real fun comes in is the fight that Slim Mason and Junk Edwards take part in. You could not help but laugh at the funny antics in which both men get in because of their build. Junk Edwards is short with short arms and Slim Mason is long with a lengthy reach, and you can imagine what a funny position things are placed in. You must laugh on all sides to see the way Slim Mason beats his opponent off until he is victorious and, like Hamlet, knocks everything out until he himself becomes disgusted and knocks his ownself out. There is no question about it but what Messrs. Slim Mason and Logan Kitchen have a gold mine in this act, because it is so timely and really funny. These two comedians are truly bound to be successful in the stage world. Mr. Mason is a clever actor and has the making of a great playwright, while Mr. Kitchen is sure to become the "Black Belasco" of the race.

There is something serenely great about the work of Mr. Lowery as an organizer and especially musician. Messrs. Morgan and Lowery have succeeded in building a great show.

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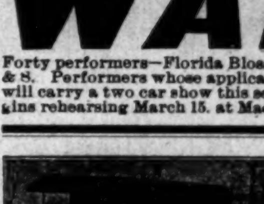

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In the Field of Sport.

BY HAROLD C. McGATH.

NOTICE.

When sending in items for these columns please make your writing as plain as possible to insure correctness.

According to a Philadelphia report, Jack Blackburn, the Indianapolis colored boxer, will be released from prison at Philadelphia before many months, and in the meantime he is getting himself in better shape physically than he ever was in his life. Blackburn got into trouble in Philadelphia a year ago last Christmas and after pleading guilay was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

WHO IS THE BEST PITCHER?

Who is in your opinion, the best pitcher in the business today? There is a large number of good ones, and we are anxious to know who is the most popular with the fans.

NOW IS THE TIME.

Now is the time to get your advertisement in for a good position in the special sporting number of THE FREEMAN, to be out April 2. Special rates will be given to all owners, managers, clubs and players of baseball. Our forms close April 11, but if you wish a prominent place in the big edition, send in your copy right away.

SPECIAL TRAIN FOR JOE.

Gans Will Take His Friends to Big Scrap in Style.

BALTIMORE, March 18.—Joe Gans, former lightweight champion, announced today that he had arranged to charter a special train for the Jeffries-Johnson fight. Gans says this will be a personally conducted tour for the benefit of his friends. The special will leave Baltimore June 24, arriving in San Francisco June 30. Gans expects to be in Johnson's corner.

THE FREEMAN ENGAGES DAVE WYATT

Well-Known Baseball Authority on the Firing Line.

Mr. Dave Wyatt, the well-known baseball authority, has been engaged by the management of The Freeman for regular service. Mr. Wyatt will contribute articles pertaining to baseball regularly. He will look after the big games this season and will furnish the latest news of the baseball world exclusievly for The Freeman. It is likely that he will attend every important game of the season and will give a detailed account of it. He will look after the interests of every player and lover of the great national game. An interesting special article will be published in the *big special number* to be issued April 16 from the pen of Mr. Wyatt. His address is 308 Church St., Hot Springs, Ark., where Mr. Wyatt will be glad to receive any information relative to the game.

LANGFORD WILL MEET BARRY.

Expects to Enter Ring Again Within Three Weeks, April 9.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 19.—Three weeks from today Sam Langford will enter the ring again. Promoter McCarey announced today that he had signed the black fighter and Jim Barry for twenty-five rounds at Vernon, April 9.

It was Barry who insisted on a long route despite the recent experience of Jim Flynn. Langford has beaten Barry several times, but the white man, having advantage of height, reach and weight, as Flynn also had, believes that he can overcome the Negro's superior generalship in a battle of more than ten rounds.

Langford will rest a week and then return to his training camp at Arcadia. In the meantime Barry will fight Burns at San Francisco, March 29.

CHAMPION GOPHERS TO PLAY THIS SEASON.

SPECIAL TO THE FREEMAN.

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 19.—Managers, fans, players and all lovers of baseball will doubtless welcome the news that Messrs. Philip E. Reid and Irving Williams of St. Paul, Minn., have again decided to continue the famous colored Gopher Baseball Club at St. Paul, Minn., a team that startled the country last season with its grand achievements and won, through its marvelous playing, the title to the Negro Champions from the Leland Giants of Chicago, taking three of the five games played. Most of last season's team has been signed and line are out for several new stars, that, if secured, will doubtless help the team to maintain its lofty standing in the baseball world.

Ever since the announcement a few weeks ago that the Colored Gopher Baseball team would be discontinued, owing to the fact that Mr. Philip E. Reid, its owner, will spend the summer in Europe, baseball fandom of the Twin Cities and the great Northwest has been up in arms clamoring for the maintenance of this famous organization, and the management through these urgent appeals has decided to again enter the field, and Mr. Irving Williams, who so ably handled the team the past three seasons, will again guide its destines.

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OUR BIG BASEBALL NUMBER!

If You Are a Wise Sport You Will Not Miss Getting in the Special Baseball Number.

Every owner, manager, player and fan of baseball in the country should not miss the big special extra baseball number of THE FREEMAN to be issued April 16, 1910. It will be the event of the season in athletic circles. Every baseball club of any consequence will have a special write-up with pictures in this number. We have some space left open for the next ten days that we offer at a reduced rate to all ball clubs and players for appearance in the Special Number. For single column cuts with short write-ups, $4.00 and double column, $10.00. For group pictures, where at least a half dozen persons appear, we will make a superb quality halftone cut and run it in with the write-up at 50 cents a head. You should take advantage of this opportunity right away as there are only a few more days left before the closing of our forms for the special number.

Features of the Number.

David Wyatt, the premier authority on Negro baseball, will contribute some very interesting matter on the great American game. Mr. Wyatt has been identified with baseball and its greatest stars for many years, having been a player in fast company himself. He is to Negro baseball what Walter Camp is to the American game of football.

This number will contain many illustrations of nearly all of the most celebrated baseball players the country over. There will be space devoted to a brief historic account of every team, club manager and owner, etc., of every section of the country. Other articles on baseball will follow Mr. Wyatt's, that come from the pens of such well-known writers as Rube Foster, the foremost manager and pitcher of his time; J. M. Batchman, the scholarly student of the great game, who has written one of the best articles on "Baseball's Business Side," and is the best we have ever read.

Much importance is to be attached to what Mr. Frank C. Leland, Chicago's most widly known baseball promoter, has to say of the game. Mr. Leland's views of the baseball outlook should be a thing of much concern, as he has organized some of the greatest ball clubs in the country.

The above in no way concludes contributions for the special number. Every baseball owner, manager and player is urged to send in their news matter for THE FREEMAN Special Baseball Number, to be issued April 16, 1910, at the earliest possible date, as the forms close Monday, April 11.

ALL AGENTS TAKE NOTICE.

You are requested to interest the members of the ball clubs of your city in our special sporting number to be issued April 16. We want you to secure all write-ups of ball players, fans and everybody interested in the great game. Consult us about the making of your cut. We want your picture to appear in this number, and it will cost you a very small sum to place it in the big edition. Agents, let us hear from you. Get your orders in early; and now is the time.

WHO WILL WIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP

For the Season of 1910 in Baseball, Can You Tell?

We want everybody to tell us just who they think will win the championship among colored clubs for the season of 1910. We want you to name your choice and then tell us why you think your team will win. The columns of the special number of THE FREEMAN for April 16, will contain the various views of our readers. We invite everybody to write us a brief outline of their ideas concerning the championship. Direct your mail to the Sporting Editor of THE FREEMAN.

LANGFORD WINS IN EIGHTH ROUND

Gets Best of Flynn at Start of Battle and Remains Master.

RINGSIDE, Los Angeles, Cal., March 17.—Sam Langford, Boston's well-known colored fighter, did away with Jim Flynn, the Pueblo fireman, in the last half of the eighth round of a fight that was scheduled to go forty-five rounds at the old Jeffries arena here today.

SAM LANGFORD.

The knockout was not a clean one, the upper cut which Langford delivered with his left hand merely accelerating Flynn's fall after he had missed a right swing at Langford's jaw and lost his balance. Flynn fell prone on the mat with his arms extended and dislocated his jaw.

Referee Charles Eyton counted the fireman out before Flynn's seconds were able to realize what had happened, and the badly punished fighter, staggering to his feet, made feeble efforts to fight again, though the opponent he saw through his half shut eyes was imaginary.

FIRST DECIDES VICTOR.

Flynn's chances of winning were dimmed in the first round when Langford, breaking away from the first clinch, delivered a right swing to the fireman's left cheek. The blow opened a gash and started the blood flowing.

Before the first round was ended Langford again found Flynn's face with his right and in the almost continuous clinches he frequently brought both gloves to Flynn's face and neck.

With his face cut and swollen, bleeding from the nose and mouth and apparently weakened in body and spirit by the terrific blows of the colored fighter, Flynn fought through six more rounds and came up for the eighth still determined to keep the colored man close to him.

LANGFORD COMPLETE MASTER.

In the first seven rounds he had prevented the colored man from setting himself for a final knockout by closing in whenever he found his arms free and butting his head up against his opponent's chin. He could not do that now, as Langford had him at his mercy and kept him off with jabs to the face and swings with left and right to the body.

When the round was half over Langofrd leaped backward from a clinch and started his right to Flynn's jaw. Flynn launched a swing with his right, but it failed to find the mark and his body followed. Langford's left hand shot to Flynn's jaw, but it was more from his own momentum than from Langford's blow that Flynn went down.

In the third round Flynn had fallen to his knees in much the same way when Langford sidestepped a right swing. Flynn went down for seven seconds.

The first round was Langford's. Flynn fought close and hugged the colored man continuously. He was bleeding profusely at the mouth as the round ended.

The second round was more even, with Flynn hugging and keeping his head on Langford's shoulder. Neither was much harmed.

Flynn was badly punished in the third round, being down at one time for seven seconds. He was bleeding from the mouth when he went to his corner.

Flynn stood back in the fourth and let go some long-arm punches and then he rushed into a clinch. He was distressed and cut under the chin. Langford appeared unhurt.

Langford tried to force Flynn to open up his guard in the fifth. He landed a right and left on Flynn's ribs and Flynn clinched the round out.

The sixth round was a series of clinches. Langford came out of it bleeding from the right eye and mouth. Flynn seemed to be stronger.

The seventh was a series of clinches. Flynn did not allow Langford to set himself until near the end of the round, when Flynn ducked under a vicious right swing.

Referee Eyton gave the fight to Langford in the middle of the eighth round after Flynn had fallen to the floor of his own weight. In falling Flynn's face struck the floor and blood spurted from his mouth and nose.

Flynn fell when he missed a right swing and was unable to get to his feet. He was counted out. He was unconscious for five minutes after being led to his corner, bleeding profusely from mouth and nose.

CHATTANOOGA'S CITIZENS, THEIR PROGRESS AND HOSPITALITY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A very pleasant as well as an unexpected surprise, developing into the form of an impromptu stag luncheon, was tendered your representative by Chattanooga's younger and very progressive business and professional leaders. The moment seemed the psychological one, as apparently advantage was taken of the adjourning hour of the fraternal and social organizations to bring men from the different walks of industrial, business and professional life in a fitting way to do honor to the FREEMAN's representative. Chattanooga is certainly possessed of the "get together" spirit. The service at the luncheon was strictly standard in every particular, clerly demonstrating the fact that so far as the hosts are concerned they are abreast with the metropolitan idea. The five courses of service were made most enjoyable and inspiring by the introduction of different individuals responding to the several toasts, most forcibly impressing me that all the busy men here have the right idea that is to eventually lead up to the thorough solution of the problems that confront us as a distinct people.

Dr. R. W. Allen, senior member of the firm of Allen & Wickliffe, proprietors of the East and West Side Pharmacies, proved himself a veteran in his line as toastmaster. Gen. F. C. Henderson, Brig. Tenn. K. of P., in his response to "The Relation of Fraternal Organizations to the Community," proved that he is entirely a student along that particular line. "Why We Are Here" was responded to by Mr. E. C. Wickliffe, pharmacist. To tersely put it, he is the "best business man" I've met since sojourning in the South. "The Physicians," by Drs. L. E. Welker, of Harvard, S. H. Clemmon and E. J. Cardwell, of Meharry, placed the physicians of the Negro in a class with the best in the country. Dr. Frierson, dentist, responding to 'Our Guest," proved that his efforts as well as his excellent service as one of the South's leading detanl practitioners are to concentrate his every power toward race advancement and uplift along lines of preservation of health and longevity of life. The evening was a most enjoyable one in many senses.

There is no purpose on my part in this communication to exaggerate, but I feel the note will not be complete should I close this letter without reference to your energetic and persistent Master Farrow Allen, representing THE FREEMAN circulating interests in Chattanooga. His future in this connection is already successfully assured.

My impressions, finally, of Chattanooga and of the progressiveness of the Negro citizens can hardly be expressed; all that I've come in contact with leads me to know, however, that the Negro here in the industrial, business and professional sense has nothing to fear so far as his future success is concerned. Without the desire or purpose of deviation, I must again refer to Allen & Wickliffe, proprietors of the East and West Side Pharmacies, of whom too much cannot be said, for they are clearly the leaders in their line. The finest and best Negro drug house in the country. In point of furnishings, stock, efficiency of pharmacists, manufactured ices, etc., they compare most favorably with the best. The purpose of Chattanooga's local representative is to at some future time hand to the readers of THE FREEMAN an article upon Chattanooga's East and West Side Pharmacies.

My success has been all that could be expected upon first visitation. Business results will be referred to in another mail. Finally, I would say to the citizens of Chattanooga, since they possess the "right dope": "Keep on going on."

MINEOLA, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

There was a concert given here last Friday night at the skating rink, and Ed Walton was manager. The little boys and girls played well their parts....Last Saturday, the 12th, was voting day, and the county is in a dry condition and will be for some time....Mrs. Bettie Brooks, the wife of Pink Brooks, went to Fort Worth to see her sick son, Benjamin.

CANONSBURG, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

George Shearrow, one of Canonsburg's best known colored citizens, who brought suit against the South Canonsburg borough to recover $5,000 damages for alleged personal injuries sustained when he was thrown from a wagon on Elm street, in South Canonsburg, two years ago, was awarded $1,220.34 by the jury in the Washington county court, held at Washington, Pa., last Thursday...The Rev. C. A. McGee, pastor of the Payne A. M. E. Church of Canonsburg, attended the funeral of the Rev. David F. Caliman of Cincinnati, who was buried at Mt. Vernon, O., Mr. Caliman's former home, on Tuesday...Frank McCray, one of the most highly respected colored men of this city, died at Arden, Pa., Wednesday. He was 39 years old and is survived by a widow and one child 7 years old. The funeral services were held in the colored Baptist church on Vine street this afternoon...Mrs. John W. Dunlap and Mrs. Joseph Davis have returned to their homes at Canonsburg after visiting with relatives in Washington, Pa.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

The grand Easter ball will be given on March 28, at the K. of P. Hall, and it will be the last ball of this season. Music by Mallory Orchestra. Walter Patterson, floor manager....Mr. McKinney, of Monmouth, Ill., is in the city, visiting his sister, Mrs. Ida McCree....Among the sick are Misses Cora Branum, Nana Wilson, Helen Jones and Mrs. Mary Thomas....Mrs. Peter Dealy royally entertained in honor of Miss Dayse Dean Walker....Mrs. C. H. Freeman and Huffaker House are recovering from their recent illness....Charley Tinsley is still very ill at the Passarant Hospital. His wife is also very ill....Mrs. Lida Tinsley left recently for Kentucky, on account of the serious illness of her father....Bessie Allen and Douglas Norton were married recently in Bowling Green, Mo. Both are well known....The banquet which was held at Mt. Emery Baptist Church, on March 10, was a good success and largely attended....The crocodile show held at the Company L hall was largely attended. ....Mrs. Charles Reed was a Peoria visitor, also Mrs. Mattie Carpenter, recently. ....Henry Davis is on the sick list this week....The Christian Mission has been built and is located on Allen avenue. Everybody is welcome to services.

ERIE, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. La Mar and daughter have returned to Brooklyn, N. Y., after a stay of many months....The Deborah Court will have their annual sermon preached Palm Sunday, by Rev. Young, of Meadville....A farewell reception in the form of a surprise was given Wednesday, March 9, for Mrs. La Mar and daughter, at the home of Mrs. Rufus Baxter, 314 French street....Mr. Harry T. Burleigh, Erie's famous baritone singer, will give a recital March 29, at Park Presbyterian Church, for the benefit of St. James A. M. E. Church. Tickets, 50 cents....The first grand reception of Adah Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will be held Tuesday evening, April 12, at Maccabees Hall. ....Mrs. Etta Johnson is here visiting her parents, Mr. anad Mrs. Alfred Bladen....Master Marshall Peters, Mrs. Alfred Bladen and Mrs. John F. Drew are on the sick list.

PRESIDENT TAFT WILL CONTRIBUTE.

Principal Booker T. Washington has just received a letter from President William H. Taft, in which he says that he intends to make a contribution toward the endowment fund of the institution within a short while.

CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THE AFRO-AMERICAN.

A colored woman died at Baltimore recently and left a Catholic convent $6,124.

Through the good work of Cardinal Gibbons, the archbishop of Baltimore, is the cause of the good feeling and friendship existing between the white and colored people of that city, so says Booker T. Washington.

No Negro has ever rose to any eminent statesman in a Protestant country, but they have in Catholic countries.—Dr. Blyden, London, England.

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Cedar Bluff	2.50	4.75	3.00	8.00	28.00	29.00
XX Rye	2.25	4.25	2.50	6.50	26.00	27.00
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CITY AND SOCIETY.

GET THE HABIT.

Read The Freeman—Religious, Political, Stage, Sport, and all other news. On sale at your news dealer or agent every Saturday.

Mr. Forrest Bonner continues ill.

Mrs. Georgia Caldwell is ill at her home in Fayette street.

Mrs. Ada Goins is quite ill at her home in West Twelfth street.

Mr. John Adams, of Chicago, was in the city this week, leaving to-day for Cleveland, O.

The work on the new Second Christian Church, at Pratt and Camp streets, is progressing nicely.

Mr. Harry Nichols has been called to Ashland City, Tenn., on account of the serious illness of his mother.

Tim Owsley, the comedian, is very ill with a throat agection, at the home of his parents in Muskingum street.

John Young, the lawyer, who has been ill for some time at the residence of Mrs. Moss, on Missouri street, is improving.

Mr. Clarence E. Dunlop, proprietor of the Newton Claypool Barber Shop, spent last Sunday at Peru, the guest of relatives.

Mr. J. D. Howard is in Birmingham, Ala., this week, in the interest of The Freeman, after which he goes to Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. John Starling, of 427 West Vermont street, was called to the bedside of a very sick sister at Logansport, Ind., Tuesday.

Miss Amanda Rogers, the trained nurse, left Saturday evening for Wilberforce, O., to attend Prof. Shorter, of the Wilberforce University.

The rally at Caldwell's Chapel last Sunday was quite a success. The collection for the day was $118. Bishop Caldwell will preach March 29.

Mr. O. J. Kincaid, a member of Company A, Twenty-fifth Infantry, stationed at Fort Lawton, Wash., is visiting relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. Susie F. White, wife of the Rev. White, pastor of the Witherspoon Presbyterian church, died Wednesday afternoon at their home in Fayette street.

The annual thanksgiving services of the Knights of Pythias and Calanthe Courts of this city will be held at Tomlinson Hall, Sunday afternoon. Rev. Callis, of Jones Tabernacle, will deliver the sermon, and Hon. Gurley Brewer will deliver the address.

Prof. R. Roy Pope and Mr. Albert Ferguson entertained informally a number of their friends, Sunday afternoon and evening, at the home of Mr. Ferguson, in West Fifteenth street. The house was prettily decorated with cut flowers. Prof. Pope is director of the Annex Band, en route with Ringling Bros. Circus the coming season, and will leave the city for rehearsals within the next few weeks.

ALLEN'S CHAPEL A. M. E. CHURCH.

Program by the Seniors and short talk by the pastor at 10:45 a. m. Children's exercise at 1 p. m. At 8 p. m. Easter song services by the Senior choir. All are welcome. Geo. C. Sampson, pastor.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. Boston J. Prince, D. D., Pastor.

Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor. Grand Easter services all day. A free dinner to be served to all that desire it. Members are requested to bring loaded baskets. Grand musicale at night. Seats free. Everybody invited.

KATHERINE BEATRICE McDONALD BORN IN LUCK.

While walking down the street the other day I met Charley McDonald, the constable, and his one-year-old baby, which cost him in the Circuit Court $350, having a good time. To show he is much devoted to his child, he made a present of a pretty, valuable diamond ring to his baby, whose name is Katherine Beatrice McDonald. Often Mr. McDonald and his daughter are seen in company together, and the father is proving himself to be very fond of his precious baby girl. Mr. James Howard, contractor and builder, ogered to turn over three of his valuable pieces of property if Mr. McDonald would consent to allow him the privilege of adopting the child, but Charles McDonald stoutly refused him his offer, and says he will never part from his child.—The Stroller.

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2	Prayer	Pastor
3	Solo—Soprano	Miss Hattie Coleman
4	Solo	Mr. C. H. Harris
5	Chorus	Simpson Glee Club
6	Solo—Contralto	Miss Myrtle Broadie
7	Collection.	
8	Solo—Soprano	Miss Grace Barbour
9	Reading—"Hagar"	Mr. Drake
10	Solo—Tenor	Mr. Robt. Kirk
11	Benedictus.	

BETHEL CHURCH.

Great preparations are being made for Sunday's services at Bethel church. At 10:30 a. m. the pastor will preach, subject, "Some Theories Concerning the Resurrected Body." Special music by the choir. At the close of the sermon there will be baptizing of infants and adults, followed by the reception of probationers into full membership of the church. At 7:30 p. m. Mayor Shank will deliver an address, a paper will be read by Miss Mary Fields, and the Sunday school, assisted by the orchestra, will render special music.

COLORED Y. M. C. A.

The largest crowd of the season is expected to greet Bishop Geo. L. Blackwell, who is to be the speaker at the "Monster Meeting" of the Colored Y. M. C. A., which will be held on Easter Sunday, in the Second Baptist Church, on Michigan street, at 3 p. m. In addition to the address of Bishop Blackwell, the Colored Y. M. C. A. Glee Club and Orchestra will give a musical program. All are invited and will be made welcome.

Much interest is being taken in the campaign which is now on for members, which is known as the free-bath privilege campaign. All persons taking out a $2 membership and paying for same will receive one year's bath privilege free.

A CURE FOR THE COCAINE HABIT.

A terrible calamity was narrowly averted, a day or so ago, when Mr. John Smith, of 110 Indiana avenue, was taken into the drug store of Ferger's Drug Company, Indiana avenue and Michigan street, and snatched from a terrible death by Dr. Pu Long, who administered to the poor, unfortunate man, who proved to be an addicted cocaine fiend, one dose of his great remedy for curing the most critical cases due to uses of cocaine.

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Easter services will begin with 5 o'clock prayer meeting, led by the pastor. At the morning service, 10:45, Bishop G. L. Blackwell, D. D., will deliver the Easter sermon. Special Easter music will be rendered by the choir. J. Francis Johnson, director, Miss Edith Finley, organist. The Sunday School Easter exercises will take place immediately at the close of the morning service, Rev. T. A. Fenderson, superintendent.

In the evening, 7:30, special Easter music by the choir and Easter sermon to the Gethsemane Commandery of Knights Templars by the pastor.

The Pastor's Club will be entertained by Mrs. Bertha Drake at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. Callis, 914 Camp street, Tuesday evening, March 29.

The spring carnival will open Monday, April 4, with a grand musicale by the Y. M. C. A. Glee Club. There will be special attractions each evening during the entire week.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY EXECUTOR.

The undersigned, executor of the last will of Adam Griffin, deceased, hereby gives notice that by virtue of an order of the Hancock Circuit Court of Indiana, he will, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., on the 4th day of May, 1910, at 716 Blake street, in the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, offer for sale at public sale, free of liens thereon, all the interest of said decedent in and to the following described real estate, situate in the city of Indianapolis, in Marion county, Indiana, to wit: Ninety feet off of the east end of lot seven, in John S. Spann's subdivision of lots two, three and four, in block eight, in Isaac Harris' subdivision of outlot one hundred and fifty-seven, in the city of Indianapolis, said premises being known as 716 Blake street, in said city, and said sale to be held upon the premises.

Said sale will be made subject to the approval of said court, for not less than two-thirds of the full appraised value of said real estate, and upon the following terms and conditions: At least one-third of the purchase money cash in hand, the balance in two equal installments, payable in not to exceed nine and eighteen months from date of sale, evidenced by notes of the purchaser bearing six per cent. interest from date, waiving relief, providing for attorney's fees and secured by first mortgage on the real estate sold, or the purchaser may pay all in cash at his option. An abstract can be seen at the office of the executor.

HARRY H. GRIFFIN, Executor,
Sheridan, Indiana.

FALLS CITY NOTES.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Special.—Mr. Irvin Sly, of French Lick Springs, was in the city this week on business.

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Beginning with this issue, Cary B. Lewis will contribute a series of articles on several men and women who are celebrities on the stage. He will include in his writings a sketch of "Rob" Motts and his six years' experience as a theatrical proprietor and manager.

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Every one is asking. Have you seen the Kentucky Standard's front page editorial?

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Miss Emma Lee Claybrooks substituted this week at the Central High School for Mr. Jackson.

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The Rev. G. L. Imes, of Nashville, is in the city, assistnig the Rev. E. G. Hains in a revival.

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Dr. Leonard Lewis, of Chicago, Ill., passed through the city quietly last week en route to Lexington and Frankfort, Ky.

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Mr. George White, of Sixth and Green Streets, was very sick last week. He is able to be out after treatment of Dr. Sol Stone.

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Mrs. Annona Townsend, of Chicago, was in the city this week, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Neros Jennings.

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The report has reached here that Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, of the National Baptist Training School, is quite ill at Washington, D. C.

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A conference was held this week at the Y. M. C. A. to organize a Civic League. Mr. James F. Gray and a number of others are interested in the movement.

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Mr. Charles Parker, the well-known horse trainer, is having quite a success at training horses for one of the leading livery stables in the East End.

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Mrs. Mary Pottinger of 508 East Jacob street will entertain the Pansy Embroidery Club Wednesday evening, March 16. All members are urged to be present. Rebecca Giles, president.

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Mr. J. B. Williams, of Chicago, is in the city looking after his business interests. Mr. Williams is proprietor of Williams' Cafe, 916 West Walnut Street. He entertained Mr. S. H. Dudley one evening last week.

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The Rev. Jordan, of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, reports having sent Easter programs for the National Baptist Foreign Mission Rally to more than 6,000 Colored Baptist Sunday-schools. These schools gave to foreign missions last year $5,000. The board is urging that they double the amount this year.

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Dr. T. W. Wendell, of Lexington, Ky., Grand Medical Examiner of the Knights of Pythias, was in the city this week, the guest of Dr. J. A. C. Lattimore.

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Mrs. Albert S. Hathaway, 1213 West Chestnut street, entertained last week at whist, in honor of Mrs. Blanche Hughes, of Maud, Ky. It was a delightful affair, and Mrs. Minnie Durham won first prize and Miss Ida Clark second.

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Bishop C. S. Caldwell will speak at the Broadway Street Church on Wednesday night of this week. We will give an account of the Bishop's address in the next week's issue. He is expected to say some very striking things.

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The Big Whist met last Saturday at the residence of Mrs. Florin Dillion on West Chestnut Street. The prizes were awarded to Mrs. Dillion, first; Mrs. Dollie Jennings, second; Mrs. Minnie Durham, third. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. Durham.

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Mrs. Bessie Allen, one of the most faithful workers in the State and a member of the Juvenile staff, has returned to the city from a business trip to Frankfort, Ky. While the bill she was interested in passed, she also took occasion to receive a little social attention. She was royally entertained by Miss Martha Williams.

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From the talk among the boys around the Progressive League, there will be several weddings, weddings of reality, during the coming summer. They claim they are tired of being single, tired of so many sweethearts, and must settle down. A professor and a doctor are supposed to lead off, and the others claim they will follow.

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Mr. Geo. W. Saffell, of Shelbyville, Ky., will be in the city Friday to visit the Pearl Street Model School, and at night will visit the Odd Fellow lodges. Mr. Saffell is District Grand Master of the Odd Fellows and is principal of the Shelbyville school. At night he will be served a dinner at the Keystone Cafe, of which Mr. J. H. Crutchfield is proprietor.

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The World's Ecumenical Foreign Missionary Conference will meet in Edinburg, Scotland, June 14. The delegates will leave this country May 31. Those who will attend are Dr. John H. Frank, Dr. L. G. Jordan, Dr. C. H. Parrish, Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, Rev. P. H. Kennedy, Rev. W. H. Shipwith, Dr. R. H. Boyd, Col. Allen Allensworth, Rev. E. R. Carter, Rev. B. T. Moore and Rev. McKissic.

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Next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights, Mrs. J. B. Cooper and a number of ladies of the Quinn Chapel A. M. E. Church will give a bazaar for the benefit of the building fund. Everybody in the city is expected to be present at least one night to give their financial and moral support to these good women, who are making an effort to increase the building fund of the oldest church in the city, yet one in most need of a new building.

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In all probability Mr. Tom Cole will go out of the saloon business. His place will most likely be sold to another person. He has been a successful business man. He has certainly given his customers a run for their money. He sold the best goods, was polite, full of business, fair and square, hence a success. His friends are wishing that he start another kind of business so that they might rally to him. He will possibly leave Tenth and Walnut Streets within thirty days.

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Over one hundred converts are claimed by Dr. Charles S. Morris, who has been carrying on a protracted meeting at the Fifth Street Baptist Church for the past week. The Rev. John H. Frank, pastor of the church, is much elated over the success of the meeting. The attendance has been unusually large and the sermons very soul-stirring. The meeting closed on Wednesday night of this week. Dr. oMrris left for Birmingham, Ala., to preach for the Rev. C. T. Walker, of that city.

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Mr. S. H. Dudley was given a luncheon last Friday afternoon by Drs. Morris Blackburn and J. A. C. Lattimore, at the latter's home on West Walnut Street. The luncheon was elegantly and beautifully served in courses and the color scheme was yellow and purple, the same colors as used by Mr. Dudley as a jockey in the "Smart Set." The individual ices were race horses. Mr. Dudley told a number of amusing stories at the luncheon, while Tim Bryan, Andrew Tribble, William Ramsey and Gary B. Lewis, guests, joined in witticisms. Previous to the luncheon, the party had attended a special matinee of the "Smart Set" at the Taft Theater, Thirteenth and Walnut Streets.

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On Saturday, March 26, Mrs. Laura Beard and a number of other ladies from New Albany, Ind., will give a dinner and supper at the Y. M. C. A., for the benefit of the Classified Industrial School of New Albany, Ind. The affair will last from 12 o'clock noon until 9 p. m. Among the New Albany women that will assist are the following: Mesdames Ben Alexander, Henry Price, Eva Christman, Martha Gaddie, James Flemister, Misses Ray, Mayme and Gertrude Morgan, Mollie Bush, Beulah Maxwell, Louise and Grace Russell, Edna and Sadie Russell. The school is in operation every Saturday in New Albany, and it is being encouraged by a number of white friends. The girls have made a number of useful articles that have been sold in the city. The people of this city are urged to be present at the dinner.

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The fans are talking baseball. William Stringer, of the Louisville Cubs, has his men together and will begin practicing next week. The Cubs are a well-known team, having played such teams as Hoffman Blues, White Sox, Royal's Cincinnati, Birmingham, Giants, Cincy's, Cleveland; Cuban Stars and Cuban Giants, Nashville Giants, West Baden Eagles, A. B. C.'s, Indianapolis, and All Professionals.

The latest baseball dope is the organization of the Falls City Stars. Sid Payne, Sam Gibbs, Jeff Taylor, J. R. Tyler and J. H. Norman are the officers of the new club. J. H. Fuqua, of the Chicago Fuqua's, is in the city, and there is some possibility of him joining with the famous Ed. Lancaster and putting out a new team.

It is also stated that the very best thing to do is secure Lancaster and his influence and name the Stars the Louisville Giants. The Giants have a national reputation, and Lancaster is widely known for having made good, if given the proper support. At any rate, Louisville is going to be a great baseball center during the coming season and much interest is being taken in the organization of the two new teams.

WICHITA, KAS.

Wichita has 60,780 inhabitants, 15,000 of which are Negroes from every State in the United States. They are engaged in several lines of business. Mrs. Ada Colter has leased a brick flat, with three floors, on Main street, in which she operates a cafe. There are five or six Negro doctors, a druggist and a grocer.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Puryear is on the sick list....A girl baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. Williams. Miss Maud Macklin has the honor of naming it Geraldine.....Mr. Jesse Reed died after a week's illness....Mr. F. Campbell has opened up a first-class barber shop in one of the departments of Masonic Hall....Mr. Wm. Clantan is one of the leading clothes cleaners of Centralia....Mr. Crawford has moved to Chicago....Mrs. C. Mosley has been very ill, but is now some better....Miss Maud Macklin is going to Jacksonville, Ill., soon....The Jolly Rulers have organized a ball club, with the following officers: A. D. Washington, president and treasurer; J. Wright, umpire and manager; J. H. Lewis, secretary and correspondent; Wm. Simpson, captain.

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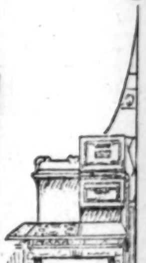

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